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Could communities in Mass. become sanctuary cities, a.k.a 'safe zone' for illegal immigrants?

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WILMINGTON — At the most recent Board of Selectmen meeting, the board sought input from Police Chief Michael Begonis on a pending immigration legislation that is being proposed by Senator James Eldridge. If the bill were to pass, Massachusetts cities and towns would become safe zones for illegal immigrants.

Selectmen Chair Judith O'Connell asked Chief Begonis how this bill would affect life in Wilmington, and "to help characterize, for some of us (and) I'm speaking for

myself, the concept of sanctuary state vs. not being a sanctuary state. How does it impact Wilmington?

"Being close to where the bill is being drafted and being discussed, I just want to understand how deciding to weigh in on this or not weigh in on this may impact the daily lives of people in Wilmington. I'm not close enough to this on a day-to-day basis to know what you and your fellow officers encounter every day.

"With this legislation, for example, in your opinion as a professional who has been in your profession for a number of years, do you think this bill is advantageous to the

town of Wilmington, the state of Massachusetts, or not?"

Chief Begonis began by explaining that immigration law does not often impact the Wilmington Police Department and that their involvement with the immigration process is indirect through criminal activity.

"We do participate kind of indirectly with the immigration process through criminal activity, and our focus, we believe, should always be apprehending violent criminals and felons through that process."

When somebody is arrested and they're brought to the Police Department, they're typically fingerprinted by

statute, and by statute those fingerprints go to the State Police, and then the State Police transfer that data to the FBI, and the FBI by law transfers that to the Department of Homeland Security through the immigration process.

Begonis explained, "what we would get, and it's not often that it happens, is a piece of paper that comes back to the state that says there's a detainer for that individual for some other reason. The process would be that everybody's offered bail at some point, or an opportunity for bail."

The police then call the Magistrate, and the Magis-

trate would come before the Police Department, review the file and typically see that detainer, and most often not opt to bail them. They'd hold them on personal, which is not a choice or decision that the Police Department makes.

At the next date they'd be brought to court, where after the proceedings were finished and that person was either released on personal or bail was set, if ICE or another federal agency wanted them, they would pick them up at that point. However, it would not be a direct handoff to them.

"That's kind of the overview of what we do in the Police Department. It's not

like we're out pursuing that avenue, it's something that comes through the process of the paperwork that we do."

One of the big questions that Chief Begonis brought up while speaking was what exactly a sanctuary city is.

"I've had the opportunity to speak with several chiefs that are from sanctuary cities," he noted, "and I guess the overall consensus is that in a lot of ways a sanctuary city is kind of a feel-good designation at the end of the day, because you can be a sanctuary city, but that doesn't mean that ICE is not going to come into the city, perform

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Benton to resign as supt. for health reasons

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WILMINGTON — Wednesday morning, the Wilmington School Committee sent a message to parents informing them that Superintendent Joanne Benton will be resigning at the end of the month due to health reasons.

Superintendent Benton's last day will be Friday, March 31, and the School Committee is looking to appoint another Interim Superintendent for the rest of this school year.

The message from the School Committee reads, "On behalf of the Wilmington School Committee, I regret to inform you that Interim Superintendent Joanne Benton has tendered her resignation due to health reasons. Superintendent Benton's last day will be March 31, 2017. She has graciously offered her support and guidance to the next leader of Wilmington's schools. We are thankful for her service to our district and wish her well."

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On New Boston Street Bridge

Town Manager seeks more info from Mayor Galvin

By KRISTA BRESNAHAN
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WILMINGTON — At the March 13 meeting of the Board of Selectmen, Town Manager Jeffrey Hull read a letter that he had written to Woburn Mayor Scott Galvin regarding the New Boston Street Bridge.

At an earlier meeting, the

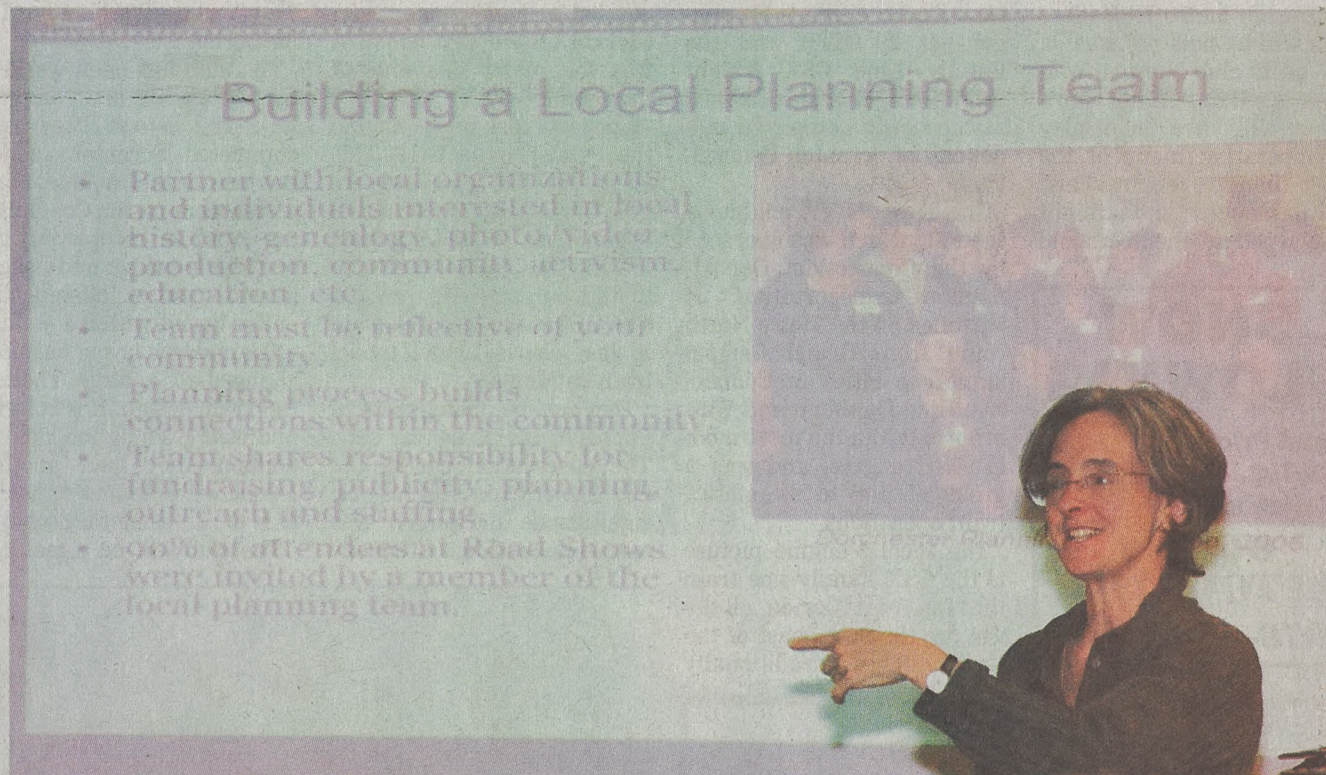
board received a presentation from John Corey and Robert Penfield regarding the New Boston Street Bridge project, and the majority of the board was in support of the project contingent upon Woburn's support of a truck exclusion on a portion of Woburn Street and subject to updated traffic counts which will be conducted on the impacted roads.

In the letter, Hull requested any information that Galvin could provide about whether there have been any other locations that Woburn has looked at for the re-establishment of the bridge.

The letter states, in part, "Selectman Michael McCoy has requested that I inquire

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Mass. Memories Road Show comes to Wilmington on Sept. 30



▲ Caroline Goldstein visited the Wilmington Memorial Library on Monday evening when she spoke to several people from various organizations in town about putting together a Mass Memory Road Show for the Town of Wilmington.

By SHERYL WALSH
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WILMINGTON — 18 representatives of the town community met on March 20 to kick off Wilmington's participation in the Mass. Memories Road Show. Sponsored by the library, the Road Show is a free public event. It will be held at the high school on September 30.

The Mass. Memories Road Show is a statewide history project that documents people, places, and events through family photographs and stories. It is run by UMASS Boston. Wilmington had to apply for the project and will join 31 other towns who have completed it.

Any and all residents are invited to the high school on that day to record their own piece of history. Participants bring three photos (hard copy or digital) and record that history for future generations. There is also

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▲ Rotary Club member Jonathan Eaton, Asst. Superintendent of Schools Sean Gallagher and Veterans Service Agent Joe Downs attended a meeting at the Wilmington Library to learn about participating in a photo archive project of the Town of Wilmington. (Photos by Maureen Brady)

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News and notes from WCTV

By **SHAUN NEVILLE**
WCTV Executive Director

This week, we're launching #TBT on WCTV.

For those who don't know, TBT stands for Throwback Thursday, and it's a fun way to look to the past, usually on social media. We're taking that idea to our WCTV Public Channel (Comcast Channel 9 and Verizon Channel 37).

Starting on Thursday at 10 a.m. and later at 7 p.m., we'll be airing a block of episodes from the WCTV archive. This week, that includes the 1992 Good Guy Award, a 2001 trip to Red Sox Spring Training and a high school band concert from 2006.

All of these videos live online at our new WCTV YouTube Channel (search for WCTV Wilmington or find a link at wctv.org). So far, we've uploaded more than 70 programs, most of them from the past 10 years, but also a few gems from the 90s. Our focus here is on annual events and special occasions in town. We like to think of them as "Wilmington's home movies."

We're sitting on thousands of VHS tapes going back to 1989. Our goal in the coming months (and years) is to slowly digitize that archive. Fourth of July Celebrations, Good Guy Awards, High School Graduations and Promenades... Those give you an idea for the types of videos we're prioritizing.

So please, check out the site over the next few months, and go back there periodically to see what's been recently uploaded. Looking for a

specific program or event? We'd like to have members of the community be a part of this process. So let us know and you can even come by and help with the project!

New Programs:

These air on one of WCTV's 3 television stations (Public: Comcast 9 / Verizon 37 - Government: Comcast 22 / Verizon 38 - Education: Comcast 99 / Verizon 39). You can also watch them at WCTV.org.

- **Airgoz Aerial Photography (WCTV Public):** These drone videos are taken over Wilmington by photographer Jamie Boudreau. Thanks for sharing the videos with a WCTV audience!

- **WCTV Annual Meeting (WCTV Public):** Watch WCTV's annual membership meeting, including a highlight reel from 2016 and a yearly address from the Executive Director.

Upcoming Meetings:

These air on WCTV's Government Channel (Comcast 22 / Verizon 38) and stream live at WCTV.org.

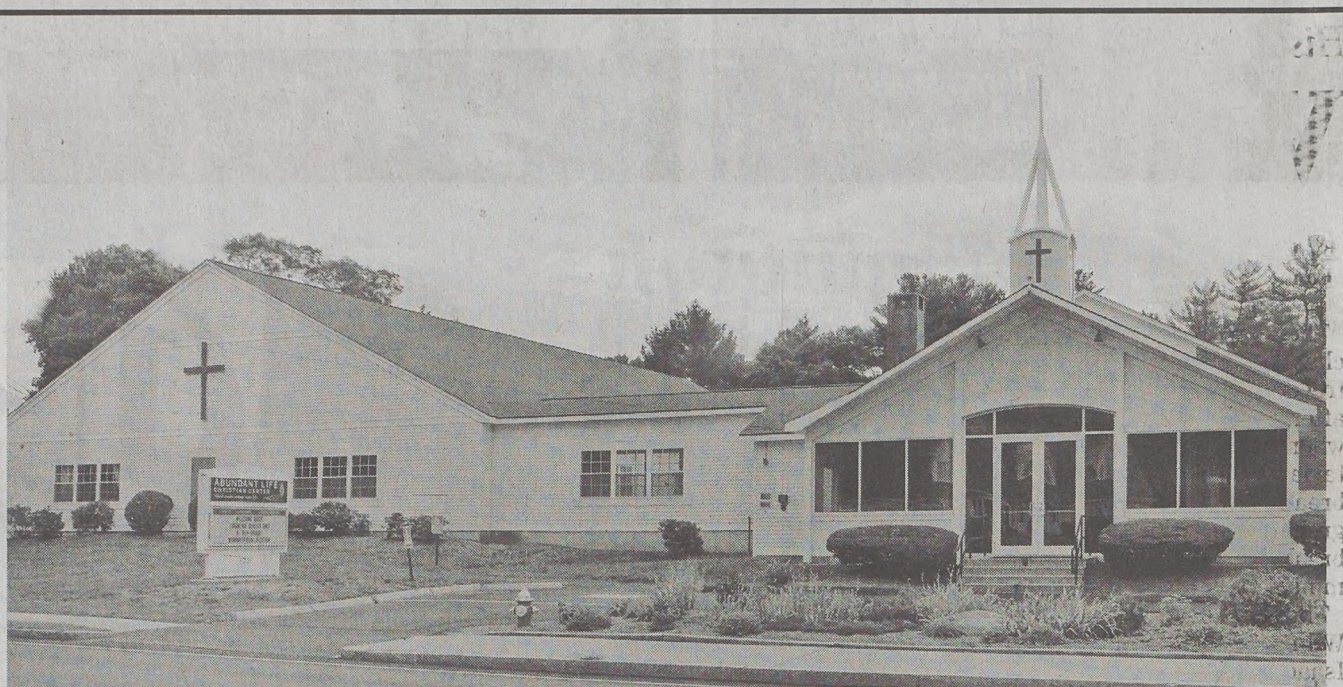
- School Committee - March 22 at 7 p.m.

- Board of Selectmen - March 27 at 7 p.m.

- Candidates Night Debates - April 4 at 7 p.m.

Check out WCTV.org for more information on when programs will be televised and how you can get involved at your community television station. Membership is free and there's no time commitment.

Produce a show, help in studio or cover a community event that you care about! We're here to make the process as simple as possible.



(Courtesy photo)

Abundant Life Christian School hosts silent auction and pasta dinner

WILMINGTON — Abundant Life Christian School's 18th annual Pasta Dinner and Silent Auction will be held Friday, April 7 at 5 p.m. Please consider joining as the school raises money to support the eighth grade trip to Washington, D.C. in May.

Each year, the eighth grade has the opportunity to go on a class trip to see the nation's capital and learn about the great history of this country while making memories to last a lifetime.

The Pasta Dinner was first held back in April of 1999 and the Silent Auction was added in 2007. It has since become the most highly anticipated event of the year! It is a wonderful community event with food,

fun and friends. The Pasta Dinner has two seatings, at 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. Prices are \$6 per ticket, with children 8 and under at \$4. In addition, take-out orders are available.

The school is truly thankful for the generosity of the many businesses who donated to the event. The food for the Pasta Dinner has been donated by several local restaurants and vendors including Bertucci's of Woburn.

In addition, the Silent Auction has well over 200 items that were donated by the local community and beyond. The auction items include Meadow Breeze Summer Day Camp at Lexington Christian Academy, New England Aquarium,

Academy of Traditional Karate, The Real School of Music, Dave & Busters, PawSox, SoulFest, North Shore Music Theatre, Boston Red Sox, As Good As It Gets Restaurant, Concord's Colonial Inn, Mills Falls at the Lake, New England Corvette Rentals, Wheel of Fortune, and Walt Disney World to name a few. There is something for everyone.

Come, relax, and be served by the eighth grade Class of 2017 and place your bids. For further information please contact Abundant Life Christian School at (978) 657-8710.

Abundant Life Christian School and Learning Center is a private, Christian school located in the Abundant Life Christian Center

of Wilmington. It desires to produce students who are uniquely prepared to discover the world around them, to be inquisitive about its many facets, are creative in their approach to problems, and seek to grow individually all in the framework of Christian faith.

It offers a curriculum that is academically sound, intellectually challenging and theologically consistent with faith in Jesus Christ.

For more information please contact the school at 978-657-8710 or go to <http://www.ablifeschool.com>. You can follow Abundant Life Christian School and Learning Center on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/AbundantLifeChristianSchoolLearningCenter>.

Boston Metro Hi Railers to host spring Open House

WILMINGTON — The annual spring Open House for the Boston Metro Hi Railers Club will be held on April 8, 2017 at its club house, 5 Waltham St., Wilmington.

They will have on display and operating many of the more than 100 engines and 200 passenger and freight cars owned by members and

the club it.

They will be featuring the New Haven Century Passenger set by MTH and the Family Line CSX freight train set by Lionel, stationed at the newly completed model city of Scranton Pennsylvania.

The New haven engine is the P32, which was operated by the Connecticut Department of transportation. It travelled on the Metro North route from Grand Central station to cities in Connecticut like Danbury and Waterbury. It had the most modern NH engine, and was a great addition to the state's train operations.

The second engine picture is the CSX Family line train that ran from Florida, all the way up the east coast of the United States. It traditionally

ran oil tanker freight cars. It also had tanker cars that carried orange juice from Florida up the east coast. It was the major deliverer of that commodity.

They will also be displaying the Pennsylvania GG1. This is an electric operated engine that is used where diesel locomotives or steam engine locomotives are not ideal due to the pollution they create. The GG1 is the featured train in last year's Lionel model train catalogue.

They will be pulling a set of Pennsylvania passenger cars. The observation car at the end of that train is of historic significance in that it was used by President Kennedy

and also in 1968 carried Robert Kennedy's casket from New York to Washington, DC for burial.

The club has been working hard to update and complete its major layout. They have completed Scranton, added scenery to the mounts, completed work on the Coal mine, are close to completing the big trestle bridge and have a general goal of finishing the entire layout within a year.

The children layout has been changed to a large Thomas the Train design. It is colorful and user friendly for kids. In addition, they have another layout with mounts for older kids to use when they join.

The club will be a featured



(Courtesy photo)

presenter at the Greenberg Train show on March 25 and 26. They will be displaying antique trains owned by club President Andy Zalewski. These trains are over 100 years old.

They will also have a modern mobile layout on display and usable for folks that attend this event.

Fees for the club event remain at \$10 per family, \$5 for single adults and children under 10 for free when accompanied by an adult. Refreshments will be variable. Come join for this fun event.

For further information contact Bob Hilliard at 781-944-1794 or the club's website bmhrc.com.

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Be especially careful if you are divorced. Only one of you can claim your children as dependents, and the IRS has been checking closely lately to make sure spouses aren't both using their children as a deduction. If you forget to include a Social Security number for a child, or if you and your ex-spouse both claim the same child, it's highly likely that the processing of your return (and any refund you're expecting) will come to a screeching halt while the IRS contacts you to straighten things out.

The \$1,000 child tax credit begins to phase out at \$110,000 for married couples filing jointly and at \$75,000 for heads of households.

After you have a baby, be sure to file for your child's Social Security card right away so you have the number ready at tax time. Many hospitals will do this automatically for you. If you don't have the number you need by the tax filing deadline, the IRS says you should file for an extension rather than sending in a return without a required Social Security number.

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A capella group Ball in the House meets with Wilmington's SoundScape

WILMINGTON — On March 16, the members of the professional a cappella group, Ball in the House, met with WHS's a cappella group, SoundScape.

In the hour and a half long workshop, Ball in the House led by Wilmington's own Dave Guisti, mentored the high school group and helped them to improve their techniques as well as collaborate on a song that they will perform together at March-A-Pella IX.

Students organized several

fundraisers to fund the event, including "Night of Carols." In addition, the workshop was supported in part by a grant from the Wilmington Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

March-A-Pella IX is presented by WHS Choral and Theatre Support (C.A.T.S.) parent group. March-A-Pella IX is now in its ninth year and is the group's largest fundraising event. The goal of C.A.T.S. is to provide

scholarships to WHS graduating seniors involved in theatre and the arts, as well as providing supplemental funds to the drama program. Since 2009, C.A.T.S. has awarded \$60,000 in scholarship funds to 100 graduating seniors.

Join us this year on Friday, March 24 at 7 p.m. at the WHS auditorium for an unforgettable evening of a cappella performances. Joining SoundScape and Ball in the House will be Boston-based groups Fermata Town and

Sound Off.

Also, the performance will feature Emerson College's Ahoired Taste and Boston University's BosTones, bringing several Wilmington alumni back to the WHS stage. In their debut performance, the Wilmington Middle School's a cappella group The WilmingTones will open the show.

For ticket and show information, please visit www.wilmingtoncats.org. Tickets are available online at the door.

History:

When Unitarianism made its bid

By CAPT. LARZ NEILSON
Founder of the Town Crier

The first step in Massachusetts towards religious freedom occurred shortly after the Revolutionary War, when what is now the Unitarian Church began to break away from the Congregational Church. The break was part of the Arminian controversy.

The part played by the Wilmington minister, Rev. Isaac Morrill, was not recorded, but it may be read from between the lines of old records. This writer presents herewith his interpretation of those events which led to the rejection of Unitarianism in Wilmington.

Rev. Morrill was minister of the Church of Christ in Wilmington for 52 years, from May 20, 1741 to the day of his death, Aug. 7, 1793. His home, built in 1705, still stands on Middlesex Avenue, next to Mill Brook.

One of the more prominent leaders of our infant republic, it was he who gave the principal address at the dedication of the Battle Green in Lexington on April 18, 1780, which shows the esteem in which he was held.

The church in which he

served stood in front of the old burial ground on what is now the church driveway. At that time, though, it was the "main highway." The front step of that church is no part of the stone wall around the burial ground. There is a hole in that stone in which the handrail was based.

Born in Salisbury and a 1797 graduate of Harvard College, he was in effect the Chaplain-in-Chief of the Massachusetts Bay colonial force during the French & Indian War. He endured with the troops the cruel rigors of the wintertime siege of Fort Ticonderoga.

In his sixties during the Revolution, he was both a leader in advocating military action and in the advanced thinking on the fathers of the democracy that became a part of the life of our republic.

On the day of the Battle of Lexington and Concord, Rev. Mr. Morrill and the Billerica minister were knocking on the door of the Bedford minister at 5 a.m. They called to him that they were on their way to Lexington, to fight.

The Bedford minister responded that they could go and fight, but that he would stay home and pray.

After the battle was over, the two ministers again called upon the Bedford minister. This time, they escorted him to Cambridge, to the British lines, from which he never returned.

The church which Rev. Mr. Morrill served was Calvinistic in doctrine, but, from the early records it would seem that the pastor seemed to have a more liberal outlook than did his parishioners.

Rev. Mr. Morrill was most assuredly liberal in his thinking, although there is direct record on his stand on religious questions. There are, however, inferences to be made from recommendations by committees on which he served, both political and religious.

A new state constitution was proposed for Massachusetts in 1778, and Rev. Mr. Morrill was the chairman of the Wilmington committee which was to consider it. The committee called for a bill of rights, 11 years before there was one in the United States Constitution. The committee said, too, a governor and a lieutenant governor to be a needless expense.

In May 1780, a second attempt was made to promulgate a state constitution,

and the voice of Rev. Mr. Morrill was again heard.

The committee struck a blow for religious liberty, but later divided, as will be shown, in the Arminian controversy, which led to the establishment of the Unitarian Church.

Cadwallader Ford, Esq. turned out to be a strict Calvinist, but others who voted in a later date for the Arminians included Joshua Harnden and Nathan Pearson. Others on the committee included Reuben Butters, Maj. Ebenezer Jones and Capt. John Harnden, all of whom seemed to have favored the Calvinistic creed.

All of the committeemen were, of course, members of Rev. Mr. Morrill's church, but only two, as was shown later, were in favor of liberty in preaching. Thus it follows that the minister must have had a decisive influence to have recommended such liberty.

The recommendation, presented as part of the 11th article of the Declaration of Rights, read:

That there be free liberty of conscience allowed to Calvinists and Arminians, and that they have full and free liberty to pay their money toward the support of the Gospel to

such public teacher or teachers, on whom they may attend; and that the majority of any town, parish or precinct, in this state, shall not have it in their power to settle a public teacher over the consciences of a minority and contrary to their sentiments.

In a town meeting held on May 9, 1780, 23 voted for this and 21 against. However, in a meeting held a week later on June 5, the vote was reversed, 46 to 43.

It is quite clear that both sides scoured the town for votes in the week between the two town meetings, and that the side that won in the second meeting, contrary to the recommendations of their minister, felt that the town had a right to pour Calvinism down the throats of the people, irrespective of their individual wishes.

The religious question did not die with this meeting, for it came up in a town meeting two years later, with Joshua Harnden and Nathan Pearson in the group that favored Arminian teaching.

The meeting was on Oct. 12, 1782, and the question was: "To see if the Town will grant liberty to sundry persons requesting the same to open the meeting house to

such Gospel meeting of a regular standing, as they shall see fit, when not used for other services."

In other words, may some of us have Arminian (Unitarian) preaching, instead of Rev. Mr. Morrill's Calvinism?

The town voted No. It is noteworthy that Cadwallader Ford was not in the second committee. He wanted Calvinism and only Calvinism, and while Rev. Morrill's sentiments do not seem to have been recorded, he was liberal in his thinking the first time.

As Rev. Morrill passed into his declining years, the town voted to open a new cemetery across the street, and further voted to allowed the aged minister to be the first to choose a grave site.

He chose a knoll which is beside the present arts center, on which a brick chimney-like tombstone was erected.

The Rev. Mr. Morrill and Cadwallader Ford, divided in religious liberties in life, lie in this tomb, united in death, for Mr. Morrill's daughter became the wife of the second Cadwallader Ford, and the two families, 13 bodies, share the vault together, until the final day of judgment.



Fun with trivia

Jeanette Waugh and June Fullerton enjoyed a fun night of trivia to help support the Tewksbury Education Foundation. This annual event was held recently at the Tewksbury Country Club.

(Photo by Maureen Brady)

Eight make Dean's List at Stonehill College

EASTON — To qualify for the Dean's List, students must have a semester grade point average of 3.50 or better and must have completed successfully all courses for which they were registered.

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• Hailee Borino, Class of 2018, of Wilmington
• Shana Butler, Class of 2019, of Wilmington
• Bethany Kane, Class of 2019, of Wilmington
• Ryan Natale, Class of 2017, of Wilmington
• Daniel Sullivan, Class of 2017, of Wilmington
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Easton, Massachusetts. With a student-faculty ratio of 12:1, the College engages over 2,500 students in 80+ rigorous academic programs in the liberal arts, sciences, and pre-professional fields. The Stonehill community helps students to develop the knowledge, skills, and character to meet their professional goals and to live lives of purpose and integrity.

Shawsheen/Microsoft TechJam 2.0, April 20

BILLERICA — Middle school students are invited to register for Shawsheen/Microsoft TechJam 2.0 scheduled on Thursday April 20 from 8 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. at Shawsheen Valley Technical High School, 100 Cook Street Billerica.

This event is free to students currently in the 6th, 7th or 8th grade. This event sold out last year and we

encourage you to register in advance on-line.

Shawsheen TechJam 2.0 is a day of technology discovery featuring demonstrations, interactive workshops, exhibitions and prizes showcasing, drones and robots, gaming and programming, maker zones with 3-D printers, digital artwork and much more.

Registration is limited to

200 students and there are no walk-ins due to capacity constraints. Registration is on-going and there are a limited number of spaces available. Act now to ensure your participation.

Register at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/shawsheen-techjam-tickets-31161964274>

Contact: Russell Eckel, reckel@shawtech.org

Analog Devices to sponsor the Science and Tech Fair at Wilmington Middle School

WILMINGTON — Analog Devices' engineers will promote science and technology education through demonstrations, hands-on activities, and a fact-finding competition during the 16th annual Science and Tech Fair at Wilmington Middle School on April 1, from 7:30 a.m. - 1:40 p.m.

Analog Devices, Inc., a global leader in high-performance semiconductors for signal-processing applications and a long-time supporter of the Wilmington Public Schools, will host the Wilmington Middle School Science and Tech-

nology Fair for approx. 300 students in Grade 7.

(Best time to visit: 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.)

Approximately 50 engineers from Analog Devices, Inc. will bring science and technology to life by partnering with students to conduct hands-on experiments.

Activities will include electrical wiring, shortwave radios, soldering practice, magnets and electro-magnets, strobe light demonstrations, hands-on shop activities (drilling etc), a Geiger counter demonstration and a dry-ice dem-

onstration.

Also featured will be a detailed description of how Analog Devices' integrated circuits are manufactured, including hands-on viewing through a microscope.

As part of the fair, students will participate in a fact finding competition, with prizes awarded to the winners. Analog Devices has hosted the Wilmington Science and Technology Fair for approximately 16 years, and has supported local students through the Wilmington School Business Partnership program for over 20 years.



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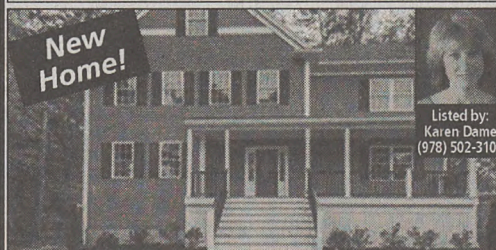
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OPINION

Letters to the editor

Support Panilaitis for reelection to selectmen

Dear editor,
I am writing to support the re-election of Bruce Panilaitis to another term on the Board of Selectmen.
The town has been fortunate to have people like Bruce to take interest and give up their valuable time to bring forth good ideas to move our town forward into this ever changing government environment. Accountability and an efficient run government is also important to the residents who pay the taxes and who raise or have raised families in our town.
Volunteerism in other areas of town activities is

just as important for those that step up... (it takes team work from all). My wife and I have been residents and raised a family of five children here in Tewksbury for the past 44 years and we are always grateful to help others succeed in their community work activities, who give back of their time to contribute when available to do so.
Bruce has my support in a very successful campaign for reelection.

Thomas L. Cooke
64 Arlington Street
Tewksbury

Kelly seeks seat on Board of Selectmen

Dear editor,
I'm Jay Kelly, a proud resident of Tewksbury for 20 plus years. I am seeking to represent and work for you, the good people of Tewksbury, as a member of the Board of Selectmen.
I am qualified and competent in the private sector and business sector. I am a hardworking, loyal friend, and a kind and caring devoted family man. My wife, Mary Kelly, who is a native Tewksbury resident, and I are the proud parents of five children — Devin, Colleen, Julia, Jack and Mikey. Two children are Tewksbury Memorial High School graduates, and three are currently attending Tewksbury public schools.
My platform and my core beliefs focus on taxes, our seniors, schools, and safety.
#1) Taxes are pushing our residents to the edge. I will be a business-minded leader who will be your voice when tax exemptions and increases do not make sense for our residents.
#2) Our senior residents have raised their families here and have shaped, built and governed our community. In the past year there have been instances where our seniors have been disrespected. This is unacceptable. I am committed to our seniors and

will treat them with the respect they deserve.
#3) The future success of our youth is highly dependent on receiving the best education possible. I will partner with members of the School Committee to ensure that our children are provided with the opportunity to receive a first-rate education in first-rate schools.
#4) One of the hallmarks of Tewksbury is that we live in a safe and friendly community. I am dedicated to ensuring that Tewksbury remains a safe and friendly community for all of its residents. I will make decisions based on promoting and reinforcing the safety of our community.
Family, friends, and the experiences gained throughout my personal life and professional career are the foundations for my happiness. As selectman, I will draw upon my business skills, leadership skills, and practical know-how to work for you so that your viewpoints are not left out. Democracy = multiple viewpoints.
The time is right for a new, energetic, hardworking, and serious leader. This is why I am asking for you to vote JAY KELLY on April 1.

Jay Kelly

Hold off on supporting all capital improvements

Dear editor,
After reviewing the plans for the three capital improvements the town is proposing, I personally am going to vote for the new Fire Station. Although (I am sure) these are all good improvements, my concern is the timing of all these at the same time.
Knowing (in the not to distant future) the School Department will be presenting a plan to build a new Grammar School, I think the timing for these other two improvements is poor. The

Town Manager (at my request) sent me the amortization schedule for our outstanding debt. The required payment for FY 2017 debt is almost \$15M.
My recommendation would be to hold off on these additional improvements for the next 2-3 years until we have the bandwidth within our budget to properly afford them.

Sincerely yours,
Jerome E. "Jerry" Selissen

Jay Kelley (who wrote a letter to the editor last week) is not related to Jay Kelly running for Selectmen.

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Prom season on the horizon



By JULIA SESSA

Every year, high school students plan and prep for their upcoming prom. They need to find the right dress, find the right date, and attend the after party. It's intended to be the best

Sessa's Corner

memory of high school, yet sadly for some the party ends in tragedy.
As we start thinking about prom season and the celebratory time that follows, it's important to take a few moments to remember the importance of keeping yourself and others safe during this exciting time.
For TMHS, we must be cautious of the choices we

make during this time of year. There is a risk of some making poor decisions during parties that may lead to drinking and driving. Students should remember that the legal drinking age is 21, and if students do choose to consume alcohol, to make sure they are being responsible about it.
The first prom upcoming to TMHS is the junior prom. The prom will take place, Thursday, April 13 at Tewksbury Country Club from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Tickets go on sale Thursday, March 30 through Monday, April 3. Tickets may be purchased before school

and during all lunches.
Please bring signed permission slips for the prom and the bus when you purchase a ticket. Cash is preferred and the ticket price, \$50 per person.
Senior prom will take place May 30, at the Boston Long Wharf Marriott. Tickets have not gone on sale yet, but students and their guardians are expected to watch a presentation on safety during prom season to be eligible to go.
Although this time of year may be exciting, keep in mind that your choices will affect your outcomes. So stay smart and stay safe during this prom season.

Panilaitis understands importance of debate

Dear editor,
With great enthusiasm, I offer my full support to Bruce Panilaitis in his campaign to seek re-election to the Tewksbury Board of Selectman.
As the niece of two former members of the Board (Joan Dunlevy and John Sughrue), I feel a special sense of pride and responsibility in selecting candidates for this important office, and I deeply believe that Bruce has exemplified the role of public servant in our community.
Over the years, Bruce and I

have served together in church leadership roles and on the Tewksbury Habitat Build committee. He has many gifts, but two of his greatest strengths are communication and transparency. Bruce is a visionary who understands the importance of collaboration, respectful debate, and consensus building. You may not always agree with his view, but he is committed to ensuring that all voices are heard.
During his first term, Bruce has been especially supportive of Tewksbury residents

concerned about both the gas pipeline and the casino projects. He dedicated countless hours to researching both proposals, attending presentations and facilitating discussions. His leadership was key to positive outcomes for the future of our community.
Bruce continues to engage residents in town policy making by publishing events and agendas on social media and by personally extending invitations to become more involved. I deeply believe that the level of awareness and

participation in Tewksbury town politics has increased thanks to his initiatives.
There are few people in Tewksbury who wear as many hats as Bruce Panilaitis. He entered the political arena to make a difference, and he has done just that. I look forward to his continued leadership on the Board of Selectmen and in all other areas where he offers his time and talents. Tewksbury is indeed blessed by his service.
Respectfully,
Beth McFadden

McCoy still claims dirty politics in selectmen race

Dear editor,
I am responding to Selectman Mike Champoux's letter to the editor dated 3/15/17. He states that he's responding to my letter to the editor dated 3/8/17.
He states "Mr. McCoy goes through a litany of calendar dates in suggesting that Selectman Judith O'Connell was somehow attempting to discourage would-be candidates from entering the race for the Wilmington Board of Selectman by delaying the announcement of her intentions to run or not."
Mr. Champoux, I absolutely said that because it's true. It was nothing more than a dirty trick to allow Ed Loud to sneak in the back door and pull his papers out just late enough and get them in.
Mr. Champoux goes on and states that "Mr. McCoy has been campaigning as far back as November 2016 for an election that will be taking place in April of 2017, holding his own sign, others might interpret that as lack of confidence or, dare I say, pathetic."

nomination papers, on March 3, don't you think?
In serving this town as a local official for 30 years, I thought I'd seen it all, but apparently I haven't. The low moves are getting lower. This was a deliberate move by Selectwoman Judith O'Connell and her cronies, and you Mr. Champoux are one of them, to stack this board and to allow Mr. Ed Loud to sneak in through the back door right to his seat on the board of selectmen unless a miracle of miracles happens and candidate Kevin MacDonald wins the seat intended for Ed Loud.
Let's talk more about what's pathetic. Back on Oct. 25, 2016, the Federal Government, the Surface Transportation Board held a public hearing with a professional stenographer to hear public comments from the citizens and the officials on whether to allow New England Trans Rail to open up for business on the Olin site.
Mr. Champoux, you were one of four selectmen present at the Middle School at that hearing. I was the ONLY selectman to get up, speak directly to the federal agency that oversees Trans-Rail activities, and stated why a permit should be denied to them opening on the Olin site on Eames Street. You, Mr. Champoux — all you had to do was get up, walk 20 feet, grab the microphone and tell them why New England TransRail should not come to the Town of Wilmington. But you didn't. Now THAT's pathetic.
You gave up a golden opportunity to have our voice as a town be heard in person, directly to the federal agency themselves, because everything was being recorded then and there.
Let's talk even more about what's pathetic. On Feb. 1, 2017 in Woburn City Hall, there was a public hearing held by the state — the Department of Transportation — to listen to comments in the opening of the New Boston Street Bridge off of Woburn Street. I was the only selectman to appear and to speak out against the opening of the bridge.
You weren't there, and that's pathetic. I stated at that meeting that I would make a motion at our next selectmen's meeting dated Feb. 13, 2017 to take a formal vote against the opening of that bridge. We, as a town, were never invited by the city of Woburn to participate in a 25 percent stage hear-

ing. My motion didn't even get a second.
You stated, along with Selectwoman O'Connell, that you thought by opening the bridge that it would help our businesses in our community by receiving meals tax money and other businesses would benefit. I say what about the residents?
By that bridge opening, it will become a shortcut for traffic to cut through Woburn Street, Lowell Street, Butters Row and Chestnut Street, just to name a few. I did support the opening of the bridge back in 2004; however, a lot has changed in the past 13 years. I even brought up that I was opposed to the project at a selectmen's meeting back in 2014 when there was talk about opening that bridge, after concerned residents approached me.
At the time, the town manager stated that there was no talk about that. Back in April of 2016, Woburn went behind our backs and quietly got the ball rolling by starting the bridge project and is now at the 25 percent stage; we've made it a lot easier for New England TransRail to open for business in Wilmington if that bridge opens up.
At the hearing of the Surface Transportation Board in October of 2016, it was stated that if a permit is given for New England TransRail to open up on that

site, there would be about 700 trucks coming on and off that site on a daily basis. That's beyond pathetic. That is downright disturbing.
Just FYI, Mr. Champoux, my rotary phone has a "send" button, which I am about to prove. Should I need to respond to another of your foolish letters, because you love to hear yourself talk, I'll go all out and buy a smart phone and will send the message "OMG, here's what people say about you: Mike Champoux loves to hear himself talk at selectmen meetings and goes on and on about nothing and keeps the meeting going too long. LOL."
How's that? Just because I choose not to use technology as my primary means of communication with residents, doesn't mean I don't know how to use it. I simply prefer direct communication with people; I always have and always will and you can attempt to insult me for this all you want, but nothing is going to change.
My method of communication has worked well for the 30 years I've been a local official, 27 of those years as an elected selectman. So to your insults I say, "Go to hell. Don't tell me how to talk to people." How's that for communication?
Sincerely,
Michael V. McCoy
Wilmington Selectman

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10-year anniversary memorial breakfast for PFC John F. Landry

Dear editor,

I would like to start by saying thank you. Thank you to all the residents who took the time out of their busy schedule last Saturday morning to come to the 10-year Anniversary Memorial Breakfast for PFC John F. Landry Jr. and show the Landry Family that the Town of Wilmington will never forget their sacrifice and their son PFC John F. Landry Jr.

Thank you to Eric Lamarche (VSO in Lowell) for starting the Ceremony off with a beautiful rendition of our National Anthem.

The memorial breakfast was extremely well attended and thanks to our wonderful sponsors there was no charge for the breakfast that was masterfully prepared by Mastorilli's Catering.

Our Sponsors: Ahern Family Charitable Foundation,

Nichols Funeral Home, Biggins Exterminating, MacClellan Co., Kristin Duffy, Realtor, "Team Blue" Lori & Tim Penney, Linda DuCharme, Freeland Family Tewksbury, Friends of Tim Ryan, Francine Hersom, and DAV Ch.27 Somerville.

Thank you to all the volunteers that helped serve the breakfast including the two pleasant ladies that worked the coffee and juice station.

Thank you to Wilmington resident Bob Tarara for the beautiful hand-crafted Eagle he presented to the Landry Family and also John Magurani for the Shadow Box he hand crafted and presented to Pam and John Landry.

A big thank you also goes out to the Wilmington Police Department Honor Guard, Wilmington American Legion Post 136 Honor Guard for being there to represent

the Town of Wilmington as they did 10 years ago.

The American Legion Riders from Cambridge post (the Dirty Water Riders) were there with the Landry Family as they have been at every event for John since he was Killed in Action 10 years ago. Town Manager Jeff Hull, Assistant Town Manager Denise Casey, Administrative Assistant Beverly Dalton the Selectmen including Chairwomen Judith L. O'Connell and members of the Wilmington Fire Department were also in attendance to again show there respect and to let the Landry Family know the Town of Wilmington will always be there for them.

A big thank you goes out to the Massachusetts State Police Pipes and Drums and their Honor Guard. One call to the office of Lieutenant

Colonel Amodeo and he agreed to Honor PFC John F. Landry Jr. Their presence there was very special and it meant a lot to the Landry family.

Also I would like to thank Maureen Lamoureux for the wonderful slide show she put together. It was very nice and again that also meant so much to the Landry family. Maureen's Son Zach is currently serving overseas in the Army.

The out pouring of support is just one more reason the Town of Wilmington is the best place to live and raise a family. RIP PFC John F. Landry Jr. we got your six.....

PEACE
Lou Cimaglia IV
Director
Department of
Veterans' Services
Wilmington

Cobuccio running for seat on Planning Board

Dear editor,

My name is Joe Cobuccio and I am running for a seat on the Planning Board this April 1, 2017. I am a Tewksbury resident for the past 13 years and I am currently serving on the Public and Community Events Committee for the town.

This amazing experience has led me to be more involved in the Tewksbury community. During this time, I have had the privilege to meet, work with, and become close with many of the key committee and board members of Tewksbury. To whom we owe the town's success, from selectmen to fellow committee members that have selected me to be their candidate.

My main motivation is to see through the growth of Tewksbury with preserving the historical look and maintaining the cordial atmosphere of our great town. I want a town that has the best interests for us now and more importantly for the future of our kids.

This past September as my fiancé and I enrolled our daughter into the Tewksbury school system, following her many cousins and family members that were raised here in Tewksbury; I realized how important the impact of

our decisions today are and how the decisions will greatly impact every one of those children.

We hope our children love, respect, and want to stay in our community to raise their families proudly. My background in plumbing and construction give me a solid understanding of the process that is put into effect with the development and growth of both residential and commercial projects.

I have always been the kind of person to get involved; volunteer my time to organizations and special events to maximize their success and to assist them in reaching goals. As I ask you for your vote in this upcoming election, I need your help to put me in the driver's seat; to be your voice for what our town needs, to fulfill your wants by listening to you, and to ensure the planning and regulation for the future of Tewksbury over these next five years.

As your elected candidate for the Tewksbury Planning Board, I will have the town and its people's interest first and foremost, always. Thank you for your time and I hope to have your vote this April 1, 2017.

Joe Cobuccio

Support Panilaitis for reelection to selectmen

Dear editor,

As a resident of Tewksbury I have tried to participate and give back to the town. I have sat on several committees and participated in town government as a resident and volunteer. It is with that experience in mind that I offer my support for Bruce Panilaitis for selectman.

Tewksbury has an Economic Development Committee and for three years I was part of it and worked closely with Bruce. Selected by the Board of Selectmen to be their representative on this committee it was obvious that Bruce was well prepared, available to the volunteer committee and very engaged in the economic growth in town.

The committee was restructured under Bruce's leadership to identify some critical areas of focus.

Clarifying and streamlining

the permitting and zoning process to make the town more ready to respond quickly to potential opportunities was a critical emphasis. Being ready to help companies and real estate people looking at Tewksbury as a potential new location is critical to their process.

We also worked at helping advance the town's Economic Development page on the web site enhancing commercial and exposure. It is well done and deserves a look by all our residents.

Bruce and the committee also created zones or "villages" throughout the town to help future growth and development have the continuity and character each represented. Growth with the best interests of the residents and businesses unique to each section of town was emphasized. Smart growth was not a buzzword but a require-

ment for the committee.

During this time on the committee, the town also joined the Middlesex 3 Coalition, a regional economic development organization focused on towns bordering or nearby to Route 3. Participation in this important coalition gave us information and insight previously not available. It also generated more contact with Beacon Hill and our local state leadership including the Mass Secretary of Economic Development.

On a personal note seeing how hard Bruce has worked in the town in other areas, especially as a dad, gives me further reason to support his re-election bid. Participating in youth sports as a coach and parent is a commitment and if you want to know what is happening in this town go where the kids and parents are. Bruce's experience and

connection to the town and it's residents and his commitment to helping make it a town where our most valuable asset, our children, can grow and thrive is clearly evident.

Bruce Panilaitis is engaged personally and professionally in this town, brings ideas and energy to the Board of Selectmen and is able to take a high level view of the economic development needs of the town.

I am happy to support Bruce Panilaitis and I ask for your vote as well.

Marko Duffy

'Dedicated' Panilaitis a leader for the town

Dear editor,

Please accept this letter of support for Bruce Panilaitis for reelection to the Tewksbury Board of Selectmen.

Bruce has been a friend of mine since we worked together on the Budget Advisory Committee in 2008 —when a group of residents stepped up to help address significant challenges facing the School Department brought on by the Great Recession. Since then, he has become one of the most dedicated individuals ever to serve the Tewksbury Community, and the town is enhanced by his contributions across numerous spheres.

We've coached soccer on the same fields, but he's coached hundreds of kids in baseball, basketball, and lacrosse. We've nailed together walls and raised beams for Habitat for Humanity, but it was him and his team with the Tewksbury Habitat Build that organized the project from start to finish. I've helped him finish a basement to help a family in need. We even sat in the dunk tank together at Harvest Fest. But where I have only offered a helping hand, Bruce has organized people around a shared vision. Bruce is the

kind of man that steps up to help people, often not in the public eye, and he does it over and over again.

After his election to the Board of Selectmen, hot on the heels of his opposition to the casino project, he threw himself headlong into doing the work of a selectman. He worked to bring the town into the Middlesex 3 Coalition among other initiatives for economic development in his service and chairmanship of the Economic Development Committee.

He has worked with town management and his colleagues on the board over the years to strengthen our financial foundations — stabilizing water and sewer rates and earning the town the highest bond rating ever — making future building projects less expensive to tax payers.

Bruce has also worked and supported initiatives to improve the town's facilities and aesthetics — both those that are selectmen centered and those driven by residents. He opposed a natural gas pipeline slated to run through North Tewksbury backyards, and engaged with residents to help raise awareness of the project.

He worked with his colleagues to create or join nu-

merous subcommittees that, again, engage private citizens in the work of the town such as the Town Center Master Plan Committee, the Visioning Committee, the Open Space and Recreation Plan Committee, the Cable Advisory Committee, and many more.

His leadership style is one of transparency, through public meetings and Q&A sessions, and engagement with residents, business owners, staff, and legislators. This style aligns well with the current Board of Selectmen, town professional leadership, and other elected and appointed boards so that matters are advanced to the benefit of the town.

I encourage voters to consider Bruce for their vote this year. We are fortunate to have such a committed team of individuals working together on the Board of Selectmen. Bruce is the kind of man that leads by his actions, showing his dedication to the community time and time again on the issues that impact our wallets, our property values, and our families every day.

Sincerely,
Jayne Wellman Miller

Thank you from the Shawsheen/West PAC

Dear editor,

The Shawsheen/West PAC would like to extend our sincere gratitude to the following businesses for sponsoring rounds at our 4th Annual Trivia Night on March 10: Dalton and Finegold, LLP, The Dance Company, Debi's Dance Studio, DRP Appliance, Repair Hair By Andrea — Andrea Fiore, Lorraine

Spada Dance, Nancy Plowman Associates, Inc., Pierce Davis & Perritano, LLP, TEAM BLUE - REALTORS (Linda Ducharme & Lori and Tim Penney), Wilmington Sons of Italy, Wilmington Dance Academy, Wilmington Figure Skating, Club Xentex, Inc., and Yoga Loft.

We would also like to thank all the participants as well

as the Trivia Night Committee for attending and making this event a success. We were able to raise \$8,560 which will allow us to support the students at the Shawsheen and West with enrichment activities, homework agendas, literacy incentives, and more.

Shawsheen/West PAC

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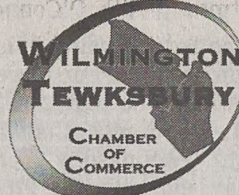
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"Dr. Connie Ho is a Boston native who obtained her undergraduate degree from the



Dr. Connie Ho

Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. After earning her Doctorate in Optometry in 2015 from The New England College of Optometry, she practiced in Brookline, MA for a little over a year before joining the Pearle Vision team in Wilmington. Dr. Ho's clinical experience includes rotating through the VA Medical Centers in Hudson Valley, New York and Portland, Oregon, as well as several specialty clinics throughout the Boston area. With a focus on providing patients with excellent eye care, Dr. Ho makes it her goal to give

her patients her undivided attention as she addresses their visual concerns and needs to the best of her ability." Pearle Vision in Wilmington owned and Operated by your neighbor.

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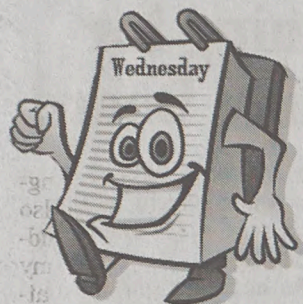
Multi-Chamber Women In Business Networking Series

Date: Tuesday, April 4
Time: 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm
Place: Bellevue Golf Club, 320 Porter St., Melrose

Candidates Night

Date: Tuesday, April 4
Time: 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm
Place: WCTV, 10 Waltham St., Wilm.
Also Broadcast Live On Channels 38 or 22

Please contact the Chamber for additional event details.



Community Calendar

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Wilmington Calendar:

Sons of Italy Easter Bunny Breakfast

Boy Scout Troop 126
Thursdays from 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
Villanova Hall
Wilmington's Troop 126 is looking for new members. Boys in grades 6 are eligible to join Scouting. Boy Scouts learn important skills like swimming, personal fitness, and leadership. Go to Villanova Hall during a weekly Thursday meeting from 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. to discuss joining Scouts.

Abundant Life Early Easter
Friday, March 24 from 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
Abundant Life Church of Wilmington, 173 Church Street
Abundant Life Church Kids Ministry invites you to Early Easter. There will be an egg hunt, music, a message, crafts and refreshments! For more information, call 978-658-8584, email info@ablfechurch.org, or go to ablfechurch.org.

Ball in the House to headline March-A-Pella, unforgettable evening of a cappella performances!
Friday, March 24 at 7:00 p.m.
Wilmington High School Auditorium
WHS Choral and Theater Support (C.A.T.S.) proudly presents, now in its ninth year, March-A-Pella. Headlining this year's show once again is the national recording group Ball in the House. These award-winning artists

never fail to bring the audience to their feet with their vocals. But there's more! The evening is packed with a cappella performances from Boston-based groups Fermata Town and Sound Off, as well as Emerson College's Achoried Taste, Boston University's BosTones, and Wilmington High School's own SoundScape and will be introducing the WilmingTones, Wilmington Middle School's first a cappella group! Mark your calendar now for this amazing night of music. Adult tickets are \$15 in advance, \$18 at the door. Tickets for students and seniors (65+) are \$12. For tickets and show information, please go to wilmingtoncats.org.

Eagle Scout Pasta Dinner Fundraiser
Friday, March 24 from 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
Villanova Hall
Local Boy Scout Alex Boehm of Troop 126 will be hosting a pasta dinner to raise money for his Eagle Project. Alex will be using the money to buy supplies to create a new camp site at Camp 40 Acres here in Wilmington. The pasta dinner is \$10. Come support local Scouting and Camp 40 Acres at the pasta dinner.

Sons of Italy Dinner Dance
Saturday, March 25 from 6:30 p.m. to Midnight
Tewksbury/Wilmington Elks

Wilmington Sons of Italy will celebrate their 50th Anniversary with a gala Dinner Dance on March 25 at the Tewksbury/Wilmington Elks. \$50 per person includes hot/cold hors d'oeuvres, a five-course dinner, including wine, and entertainment by vocalist Lori and Bill McLaughlin. For tickets, contact Michele at 978-604-6437.

Silent Auction and Pasta Dinner at Abundant Life Christian School
Friday, April 7 from 5:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Abundant Life Christian School, 173 Church Street
Enjoy your Pasta Dinner at 5:00 p.m. or 6:00 p.m. or order Take-Out. Tickets cost \$6 for adults and \$4 for children ages 8 & under. Tickets are available by calling 978-657-8710 or emailing cdigiovanni@alcsnet.org. The silent auction has many items, too many to mention. All proceeds to benefit the eighth grade Washington, D.C. trip. Visit ablifeschool.com for more information.

Wilmington Sons of Italy Easter Bunny Breakfast
Sunday, April 9
Knights of Columbus Hall
Two seatings are available: one from 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m. and the other from 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. The donation is \$8.00 per person. Children under 3 eat free. The menu includes scrambled eggs,

waffles, hash brown patties, bacon, sausage, muffins, juice, milk and coffee. All proceeds will benefit the Wilmington Sons of Italy Charities. For tickets, contact Tara at 978-758-0405. Tickets must be purchased on or before April 2. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

Snow White at Abundant Life Christian School
Thursday, May 11 and Friday, May 12 at 7:00 p.m.
Abundant Life Christian School, 173 Church Street
ALCS Middle School Drama Club presents two performances of Snow White; one Thursday, May 11 and another Friday, May 12. Tickets are \$6 each. Tickets will be available at the door the night of performances and are also available by calling 978-657-8710 or emailing cdigiovanni@alcsnet.org. Visit ablifeschool.com for more information.

WHS Drama Club Presents Legally Blonde
Wilmington High School Auditorium
The Wilmington High School Drama Club is suiting up for Legally Blonde. The musical will run three times, once on Friday, May 12 at 7:00 p.m. and twice on Saturday, May 13, once at noon and again at 7:00 p.m. Come and support the arts by watching this local production of the famous musical.

Tewksbury Calendar:

Friends of Tewksbury Tennis Fundraiser

Tewksbury Lions Club Scholarship
Applications due March 24
Applicants must be graduating seniors residing in the Town of Tewksbury, provide a copy of their latest transcripts submitted with this application, and print clearly with pen or attach to this form the information requested. This year there will be five \$1500 awards available. Applications should be sent to the following address:
Tewksbury Lions Club
Attn: President
Sherry Hubbard

P.O. Box 314
Tewksbury MA 01876
Friends of the Elderly Giant Yard Sale
Saturday, March 25 from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
Tewksbury Senior Center, 175 Chandler Street
The Friends of the Elderly Giant Yard Sale is open to the public. Tables may be reserved prior to the event at \$15 or \$25 for two tables. There will be over 30 treasure tables, luncheon specials and a yummy bake sale table. Since this event is

inside the Senior Center, it is held rain or shine. For more information, one may call Kay at the Senior Center Monday, Wednesday or Thursday mornings at 978-640-4480 or Linda at 978-851-4243. Proceeds benefit the Seniors' participation in the Memorial Day Parade as well as other activities at the Senior Center.

The Friends of Tewksbury Tennis Fundraiser
Tuesday, April 4 from 4:00-10:00 p.m.

Ninety Nine Restaurant in Tewksbury
Take a night off from cooking dinner! With the required voucher, 15% of your check for dine-in orders and takeout orders will be generously donated to Friends of Tewksbury Tennis. Vouchers are available at Tewksbury Sports Club bulletin board, from TMHS tennis players, via email at tsedgwick@comcast.net, or by printing your own from the Friends of Tewksbury Tennis Facebook page.

Tewksbury Library News:

Best of Boston Films on Tuesday, March 28

Event Registration
Please register online using our Calendar of Events at www.tewksburypl.org or by calling 978-640-4490. We strongly recommend registration for programs that are marked *RR. Thank you to the Friends of the Library for generously sponsoring our programs.

Adult Events

Tewksbury Job Seekers Network: What's Next In Your Career Life? (*RR)
Monday, March 27, 2pm
In this interactive presentation, learn about: the impact of the longevity revolution and the "changing face of retirement," the "myths" of aging; important conversations for transitioning to "the second half of life;" importance of connection, engagement and purpose and meaning in life; 21st century strategies for thinking about work; and tips for job seeking. Led by Dorian Mintzer, a licensed Psychologist, Career/Life and Retirement Transition Coach. She is the Owner and President of www.revolutionizereirement.com and co-author of The Couples Retirement Puzzle: 10 Must-Have Conversations for Transitioning to the Second Half of Life.

Tech Tuesdays: How To Download Free eBooks & Audiobooks with Hoopla (*RR)
Tuesday, March 28, 2pm
Learn how to download free eBooks and Audiobooks via Overdrive, a free online service offered to Tewksbury residents through the Tewksbury Public Library. Demonstrations, videos, handouts and Q&A will be included. Please note this is NOT a hands-on session, but participants will leave ready to set up an account and start using Overdrive on their own.

The Best of Boston Films (*RR)
Tuesday, March 28, 7pm
No stranger to movie screens, the City of Boston has appeared in countless feature films. What movies are set in the state's capital city? What are some recognizable filming locations? And why can actors never seem to get the accent right? Go behind the scenes with high school teacher and film blogger Frank Mandosa to learn more about movies that take place in Boston, were shot in the city and the surrounding areas, and promote hometown pride! Free handouts and raffle tickets for movie-themed door prizes.

Armchair Travel: Take A Virtual African Safari (*RR)
Wednesday, March 29, 2pm
Join Linda & Bryan Higgs as they take you on a virtual African Safari. In 2009, the Higgs went on a Safari to Tanzania, in East Africa. It was Linda's number one "bucket list" travel item. The married couple visited four National Parks: Tarangire National Park, Ngorongoro Crater National Park, Serengeti National Park, and Lake Manyara National Park. It was the trip of a lifetime, and included a hot air balloon ride over the Serengeti. They experienced countless animals, including the great migration of wildebeests and zebras. Their presentation will feature a video of their memorable trip, with still photos and short clips. Q&A after the presentation.

Evening Book Group Meeting: Station Eleven (*RR)
Wednesday, March 29, 6:30pm
The library's Evening Book Group is reading Station Eleven by Emily St. John Mandel this month. Books and discussion guides will be available at the Front Desk. New readers are always welcome!

Town Topics: Tewksbury News Discussion Group (*RR)
Thursday, March 30, 12:30pm
Do you enjoy talking about town topics? Want to learn more about what's going on in Tewksbury? Attend these bi-weekly meetings to review the week's local news & receive a free paper. Reporters will occasionally join us.

Hiking The Bay Circuit Trail: A Video Journey (*RR)
Thursday, March 30, 7pm
Videographers Dan and Marilyn Briemann of e-Awakening, a website for 'The Preservation of Nature & the Protection of Resources,' will share their beautifully shot documentary videos about the Bay Circuit Trail, a wonderful 230-mile permanent recreation trail and greenway extending through 37 towns in Eastern Massachusetts, including Tewksbury, linking parks and open space in 57 Boston-area communities. The speakers hope to inspire you to both hike and preserve this natural resource.

NOTE: There is no film screenings this week due to the Town Election on April 1.

Puzzle Corner

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The library's Meeting Room serves as a polling location.

Kids Events

Tiny Tykes Story Time
Monday, March 27, 10:15am and 11am
Join Miss Heather for some early literacy fun, including stories, songs, fingerplays, lap bounces and more! For babies ages 0 months through 18 months. Space is limited. The 11am session is a repeat of the earlier session.

Pajamarama Story Time
Monday, March 27, 7pm
Come listen to stories, sing songs, and do some movement at this special evening story time! Wear your pajamas if you'd like to! This is a drop in story time. For ages 3 to 7.

Preschool Story Time with Special Guests
Tuesday, March 28, 11am
Special guests from Dr. Mickey's dental office will be joining us to talk a little bit about taking care of your teeth! Plus Miss Noelle will still have stories, songs, dancing, instruments and more in this early literacy session. For ages 3 to 6. Older or younger siblings are always welcome.

Wacky Words Writer's Workshop (*RR)
Wednesday, March 29, 3:30pm
Join Miss Heather in our new writer's club. Held once per month, this club will explore words, play games, and do fun creative writing activities. This program is limited to 10 participants. Registration is required by calling the Children's Room. For children in Grades 3 to 5.

Wiggle Time
Thursday, March 30, 10:15am AND 11am
Join Miss Noelle for some early literacy fun, including stories, movement, songs, fingerplays, instruments, and more! For toddlers ages 18 months to 35 months. Space is limited. The 11am session is a repeat of the earlier session.

Teen Events
Teen Create It Club (*RR)
Tuesday, March 28, 5:30pm
Teens are you: into creative writing, art, music, or other crafty activities? Meet new friends and enjoy fun projects and explore your creative side! Feel free to bring any work you have to share or just come and enjoy creating something that night! Registration is appreciated.

OBITUARIES

Robert Edward Davis

Served in US Airforce during Korean War

Robert Edward Davis, age 82, of Tilton, NH, formerly of Somerville, MA, died peacefully on March 17, 2017



at the New Hampshire Veteran's Home.

Robert was born on March 15, 1935 in Somerville, MA; he was the cherished son of the late Claude E. and Helen (Newgent) Davis.

Robert grew up in Somerville and graduated from the Somerville Trade High School in 1953 where he learned the electrical trade but rumor has it that he still couldn't change a light bulb properly. Robert was part of a large and loving family; while growing up he was very easy going and a wonderful son.

Following graduation, Robert enlisted in the U.S. Air Force on July 30, 1954. Robert proudly served his country during the Korean War for more than two years before being honorably discharged on Feb. 27, 1957. Robert returned home to be with his family.

Robert married Elizabeth (Bosselman) Davis on June 27, 1959. The couple lived in Medfield, MA for a several years before moving to Fremont, NH in December of 1972 where they raised their children Cheryl, Robert, and Diane.

Robert was a very devoted and loving father who was always there to support his children. He not only enjoyed all of the time he spent with his family but he loved spending time with extended family and friends as well.

Robert loved to travel to California to spend time



with his brother David and looked forward to going with his sister Nancy to her son Joe's hockey tournaments to root him on. Most of all Robert cherished the time he spent with his grandchildren; they really were the light of his life.

Robert worked hard to provide for his family; for many years he was employed as an Engineer for the Raytheon Company. Robert worked in several locations throughout Massachusetts; his endearing personality, knowledge of his job and his outstanding work ethic made him quite successful. Robert was very well-respected in his field and after 38 years of dedicated service, he retired.

In his spare time, Robert loved to take drives in his truck, go fishing and shop on the QVC home shoppers network to find "one of a kind" bargains. Robert was also quite talented and could make crafts of all kinds that were shared with family and friends.

Robert will be fondly remembered for his strength; he persevered through many of life's obstacles and health issues with an upbeat and positive attitude. He was always very happy, friendly

and loved to have great conversations with everyone; according to Robert he had a "Happy Life." Robert was truly "one of a kind" who will forever be missed by his family and friends.

Robert was the beloved husband of the late Elizabeth (Bosselman) Davis, devoted father of Cheryl Marsolais & husband Timothy of Dover, NH, Robert Davis, Jr. of Rochester, NH and Diane Cook of Brentwood, NH. Loving "Gramp" of Scott Marsolais, Jason Marsolais & wife Candice and Nathan Marsolais, Amanda and Melissa Cook, Katrina Daigle & husband Jason, the late Sandra Davis and great-grandchildren Eliza, Alonah, Livy, Hailey, Kaylee and Alexis.

Cherished son of the late Claude E. and Helen (Newgent) Davis, dear brother of Frances Almeida of Somerville, Richard Davis & wife Kay of Quincy, Nancy Luciano of North Andover formerly of Wilmington, the late Claude E. Davis, Jr. and David Davis, brother-in-law of Judith Davis of Arizona. Robert is also survived by many nieces & nephews and their families.

Family and friends will gather at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rte. 62), Wilmington, on Thursday, March 23 for Visitation from 10 a.m. - 12 immediately followed by a Funeral Service at 12. Interment with Military Honors will follow at Puritan Lawn Memorial Park in Peabody. In lieu of flowers donations in Robert's memory may be made to the N.H. Veteran's Home, 139 Winter St., Tilton, NH 03276.

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Clifton A. 'Cliff' Hall

Outstanding soccer player for WHS

Clifton A. "Cliff," Hall, age 56, of Londonderry, NH, formerly a long-time resident of Wilmington, MA died surrounded by his loving family on March 13, 2017, at the Brigham & Women's Hospital in Boston following a brief illness.

Cliff was born in Medford, MA on Sept. 2, 1960; he was the cherished son of Valerie and the late Chester Hall of Wilmington. Cliff was raised in Wilmington and attended Wilmington Public Schools; he was a graduate of Wilmington High School with the Class of 1978.

Cliff was an avid athlete while growing up; he played youth soccer and was an outstanding soccer player for Wilmington High School. Cliff continued to play this sport throughout his life and was also very involved as a Wilmington Youth Soccer Coach for many years.

Following high school, Cliff went on to continue his education, and earn a Bachelor of Science Degree in Graphic Art Design from University of Massachusetts Lowell Campus.

Cliff was a man of many talents and a "natural" when it came to art; at the time of his death, Cliff was employed as an Art Director for the Dell Company. Cliff's hard work and talents along with his endearing personality made him quite a success in his field.

On Oct. 25, 1986, Cliff married the "love of his life and his best friend" Elena Giangregorio; together they raised two beautiful children Cliff Jr. and Mary. Cliff was the best husband and father; his love for his family was unconditional and he treasured every moment he spent with them.

Cliff was always there to support his children, attend their school events, coach their sports, watch them grow and teach them to be



wonderful adults. Cliff enjoyed playing pool with his son Cliff; they also spent hours talking sports especially football.

Cliff looked forward to his "karaoke" nights with his daughter Mary where they spent countless hours belting out their favorite tunes. Cliff was quite a singer and could do a phenomenal impersonation of Neil Diamond; he even made several CD's throughout the years including a special recording that was played at his daughter Mary's wedding.

Cliff and Elena had a wonderful relationship and were truly devoted to each other. They loved going out with friends or just hanging out with family; no matter what they were doing they enjoyed being together.

Cliff was a man of many talents, not only was he a great athlete, artist, and singer but he was a beautiful writer who composed many wonderful poems that were shared with his family and friends. Cliff had the ability to write from the heart and express the love he felt for those around him.

Cliff will be fondly remembered for his kindness and compassion towards others; he had a huge heart and a gentle personality as well as a great smile. Cliff was a devoted husband, father, son, brother, uncle, and a true friend to many; he will forever be missed by those

who knew and loved him.

Cliff was the beloved husband of Elena (Giangregorio) Hall, devoted father of Clifton A. Hall, Jr. of Londonderry, NH and Mary E. Donnelly & husband William of Medford, MA.

Cherished son of Valerie (Wilkes) Hall of Pelham, NH and the late Chester Hall, Jr. Dear brother of Valerie Samuels & husband Wayne of Pelham, NH, Lesa Hall & boyfriend Chris DiCecca of Wilmington, the late Chester Hall III & his wife Sheila Hall of Royalston, and Mark Phillips & wife Dianne of Quincy.

Son-in-law of Mary Giangregorio & fiancé Gus Sbrogna of Malden, brother-in-law of Ralph & Linda Giangregorio of Londonderry, NH, Adele & Michael Scenna of Saugus, Robert & Paula Giangregorio of Newburyport, Linda Giangregorio & fiancé Charles Bickford of Malden. Cliff is also survived by many nieces, nephews, friends and his beloved dog Nugget.

Family and friends gathered at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rte. 62), Wilmington for Visiting Hours on Friday, March 17 from 1 - 3 p.m. & 5 - 9 p.m.

Cliff's Funeral Service was held at the Wilmington United Methodist Church, 87 Church St., Wilmington, on Saturday, March 18 at 9:30 a.m.

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William Joseph 'Billy' Powers, Jr.

Joined the Navy, served during Korean War

William Joseph "Billy" Powers, Jr., age 84, of Wilmington, formerly of Everett and Revere, died peacefully on March 18, 2017.



Billy was born on June 16, 1932 in Boston to Bill and Mary Powers. He was one of 5 siblings. Billy lived in Charlestown for a short while, Everett for over 40 years and Revere. Billy was a graduate of Everett High School.

Upon graduating from Everett High School, Billy enlisted in the Navy on Jan. 18, 1952, serving in the Korean War. He was proud to serve his country and developed a love of travel. He "saw the world" and spoke often of the beautiful countries he saw — France, Italy and Cuba just to name a few.

After the being honorably discharged from the military, Billy went to work in California driving trucks. Upon his return, he decided to enroll in "Electrical School" and to this day he still cannot change a light bulb or an electrical plug.

He then went to work "down the docks" in East Boston, South Boston and Charlestown. Billy worked as a time keeper for the Boston Longshoremen and was a member of the International Longshoremen's Association. After over 40 years of service, Billy retired and resumed his love for travel with his companion Cathy.

Billy and Cathy loved taking cruises, going to Florida, Ireland and New Foundland.

Billy was a very active member of the Everett/Saugus Lodge of Elks #642 for



over 50 years where he made many friends and enjoyed participating in the activities throughout the years.

Billy loved his family and spending time with them. He was always there to help, support or provide guidance. He loved spending time at cottages on Lake Attitash, swimming and driving the boat. He was always the first one to say "let's have a get together" for no other reason but to spend time with his family that he loved so dearly.

He enjoyed going out to eat, dressing to the "nines," and driving the latest model cars, especially his Infiniti. He loved his Boston sports especially the Patriots and Celtics. He even developed a love for golf even though he never picked up a golf club.

25 years ago, Billy was diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease; he kept a positive, upbeat, can do attitude. He was determined that this disease was not going to hold him back from doing the things that he enjoyed, especially living down Revere Beach.

Five years ago, he moved to BayBerry Assisted Living

where he made many long-lasting friendships. He also rekindled may old friendships. He enjoyed the many activities that he participated in while there, but he looked forward to "Cream Puff" Sundays with his sister Susanne the most.

To sum up Billy's life is difficult; he was like "Norm" from Cheers where everybody knows his name. He was proud to serve his country but most of all, he loved his family and was devoted of each one of them. Billy was quite a guy who was loved and will be missed by all.

Billy was the beloved son of the late William J., Sr. and Mary Agnes (Peddle) Powers, dear brother of James F. Powers & wife Jeanne of Basehor, KS, Susanne Carbone & husband Robert of Wilmington, the late Maryann Powers and Doris Tano, loving companion of the late Cathy Daragh. Billy is also survived by many nieces, nephews, two grand-nephews and one grand-niece.

Family and friends gathered at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rte. 62), Wilmington, on Wednesday, March 22 for Visitation from 9 - 10:45 a.m. followed by a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Dorothy's Church, Main St. (Rte. 38), Wilmington at 11 a.m. Interment with Military Honors followed in Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett. In lieu of flowers donations in William's name may be made to The Jimmy Fund, 10 Brookline Place West, 6th Floor, Brookline, MA 02445-7226.

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Raymond F. 'Gunner' Robson

Served his country in Korea and Vietnam

Raymond F. "Gunner" Robson, and better known as "Pup" to his family and friends, age 82, a long-time



resident of Wilmington, passed away peacefully with his family by his side on March 11, 2017 at Winchester Hospital following a brief illness.

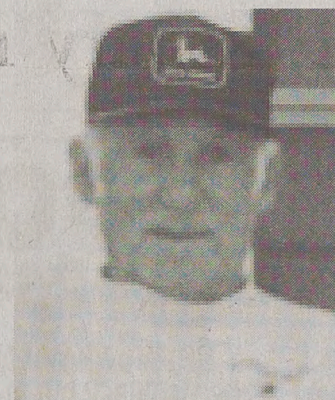
Ray was born on September 15, 1934 in Medford, MA; he was the cherished son of the late James and Grace Robson.

Ray enlisted in the Marines as a young man on Nov. 14, 1954. He proudly served his country during both the Korean and Vietnam Wars and was honorably discharged on Dec. 7, 1962. Although Ray enjoyed his life in the marines he gave it up to return home to care for his family.

Ray married Ethel M. Rauseo on April 14, 1956; the couple just shared their 60th wedding anniversary. Ray and Ethel had many wonderful memories through their years together just enjoying their life and large family of eight children and many grandchildren.

Ray, along with Ethel, enjoyed working hard and taking care of anyone and anything that came through the door; he took pride in helping others. Ray also enjoyed going on camping trips with his family, going to Canada for hockey trips and fishing. Ray's favorite place to go was to "Red Hill" for hunting with his boys, grandsons and his nephew.

Ray and Ethel's grandchildren were everything to them, although considered "spoiled," they were the light of their life. The house was never quiet, just the way Ray liked it; whether it



& husband Kevin, Susan Thibeault & husband David, Raymond Robson Jr. & wife Cheryl, Robert Robson & wife Paula, Cathy Hope, Donna Elliott & husband David, John Robson & fiancé Lisa and Patricia Robson, "Pup" of 23 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren, brother of James, Richard, Arthur, Larry and Betty Robson.

Ray is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

Family and friends gathered at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rte. 62), Wilmington on Monday, March 20 for Visitation from 5 - 7 p.m. Immediately followed by a Service with Military Honors at 7 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Ray's memory may be made to the American Lung Cancer Society, 30 Speen St., Framingham, MA 01701.

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Wilmington Library Notes

by Christina Stewart

Baby Sleep Basics on Monday, March 27

Registration begins 30 days prior to the event. Please register online using our Calendar of Events at www.wilmlibrary.org or by calling (978) 694-2099 (for Adult) or (978) 694-2098 (for Children/Teen). Please note we request registration for programs that are marked *RR. Thank you to the Friends of the Library for library program funding support!

10 Steps to Shorten the Job Search *RR
Monday, March 27, 2017, 10:00am

Are you getting tired of the "same old, same old" in your job search? Are you finding yourself more distracted and less effective in your daily activities? This presentation will help you revisit the basics in your approach and perhaps help you discover one new thing that will put you back on track and help you move forward more effectively. Mike Chase is a professional in transition and has presented this topic at several networking venues.

Birds of the New England Swamp *RR
Thursday, March 30, 7 pm

Wildlife photographer Peter Christoph presents a narrated slideshow, sharing both his award-winning images and his photographic secrets as he brings you inside a typical New England swamp. Peter provides an intimate look into the many varieties of birds that inhabit our swamps, sloshing and crawling through the swamp so you don't have to, Peter captures the birds' many activities including building the nest, feeding their young, and catching their prey.

"WCV: Radio for Your Eyes"
Monday, April 3, 2:30 pm
Enjoy a one hour comedy show set in a radio station, WCV, which includes commercials, features, jingles, sports news, and breaking news. You will become part of the live studio audience and join in the fun. There will be giveaways and audience participation in this unique "mash-up" of FM and AM radio styles. Presented by radio enthusiasts Jeff Van Amburgh and Sally Cragin.

Kids & Teens

Dads and Donuts
Saturday, March 25, 10:30 am

Dads and their kids ages two and up are invited to drop in for stories, songs, rhymes and more. Moms, grandparents, and other caregivers are welcome, too! Ages 2-5 and one or more adults

PJ Storytime
Monday, March 27, 6:30 pm
Wear your snuggly pajamas and bring your favorite teddy bear or blanket and enjoy stories, songs, rhymes and more! Ages 2-5 and one or more adults

Baby Sleep Basics *RR
Monday, March 27, 7 pm
Is your family exhausted? Do you have to rock, bounce or feed your child to sleep every time you try to put him/her down only to have to do it all over again minutes or even seconds later? Does your child wake up too early or have multiple night wake ups? Early Parenting Partners will present a workshop in which, participants will gain an understanding of how biology,

environment and an infant's stage of development can impact sleep. An overview of popular sleep strategies will be provided and much time will be devoted to answering questions.

Crafternoons:
Suminagashi *RR
Thursday, March 30, 3:45 pm
Practice the ancient art of Japanese paper marbling and turn plain drab paper into colorful bookmarks. Grades 4-8

Drop-In Storytime
Friday, March 31, 10 am
Drop in for stories, songs, rhymes and a fun craft! Space is limited. Tickets will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. Ages 2-5 and one or more adults

Library News

Homebound Delivery
The Friends of the Library volunteers provide delivery of library materials to Wilmington residents who are unable to come to the li-

brary due to a disability or an illness. Applications are available at the library and on the library's website www.wilmlibrary.org under "Services." For more information, please call the library at 978-658-2967.

Book Store Next Door
Do you need some books for your child's Easter basket? The Friends of the Library Book Store Next Door has a nice selection of children's books to purchase. Open Wednesday and Saturday 10 am to 4 pm.



Learning about the library

Maya Sachdev and Jenna Mank toured the Tewksbury Public Library with Children's Librarian Noelle Boc recently during the Dewing/North Street School Library Night. (Photo by Maureen Brady)

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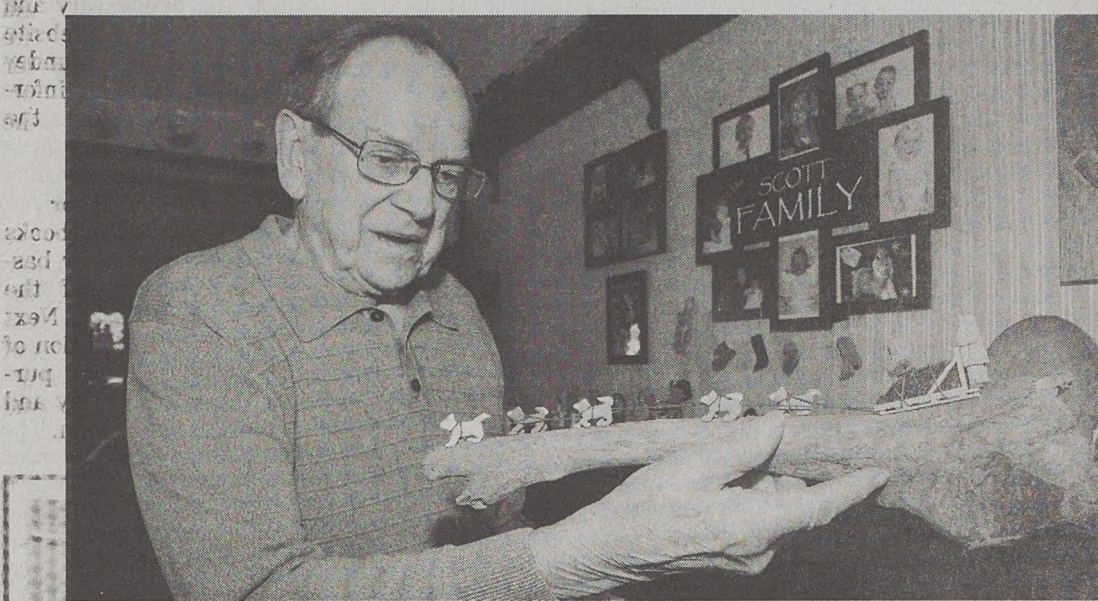
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Local artist Walter Scott has been wood carving for 25 years. He can be seen frequently at the Tewksbury Senior Center working on mini carvings like this one of a dog sled team.



By LIZZY HILL
News Correspondent

Any Tuesday morning, you'd find anywhere from five to 13 seniors sitting in class at the Tewksbury Senior Center, one hand holding a knife and the other holding a piece of shaped wood.

Their current woodcarving instructor is Laurie Willis, who's been teaching the class for almost 10 years.

"My uncle was the original instructor; he had taught me and introduced me, and I took over for him in 2008," she says.

She says that it's the people who make the class.

"I inherited the class, and it's been the best thing I've ever done." The most rewarding part of teaching the class — although Willis considers herself more of a facilitator than a teacher — is the cooperation that happens every week.

"We all sit at a round table — we like to face each other and we all help each other," she says. "I don't think I could do it without their help. For me, they've gotten to be like a family."

"It's a group of us older people at the senior center that like to get together," says Walter Scott, one of the seniors in attendance. "I don't think there's any two people in class doing the same project."

Willis shares that the group brings in all of their own ideas to class, especially when most of them do more work outside of class.

"Everybody has something that they want to end up with, so with our group everybody has a different project."

"I've found that everybody has a different level of expertise and a different place where they can help," she says.

It's the level of proficiency that each person brings in to class that sets their own project, but they all critique each other's work and offer insight.

"They're all doing different types of carving," she continues. "Some

people finish the carving and leave it rough and it's perfect like that; other people sand it smooth."

It's up to each member of the group to decide what kind of project they want and how they're going to carve it. Willis also mentioned flat plane carving, where everything is one stroke, or relief carving, which involves making imprints of a picture into a two-inch block of wood.

"If you came to class and wanted to do a beginner project, I have everybody try out this dog which I cut out so that you can already see the shape," she says. "We'll draw on it together, and I'll show you how to take the wood off so that you can define the dog."

The class has developed a culture of sharing so that no one is left more than two weeks without getting a feel for what materials they want to work with.

"Some of our fellows have specific knives that they really like which they help other people get," she says. "I share my tools with people until they figure out what they want."

The wood that they use comes from Willis' supply unless a person has a specific wood in mind for their project.

"A lot of us bring in the scraps from what we cut out. I can also cut out patterns for them with my saw at home."

Over the years, Willis has seen all kinds of unique carvings come out of her class: 3-D animals, miniatures, a dollhouse, a gargoyle, even a snake with joints so that it could bend. Right now, the Senior Center has some of Walter Scott's works on display.

"Walter has done everything," Willis says. "Reliefs of his house, a church; all kinds of wildlife studies. He lost his wife earlier this year and he came right back to us and has been doing miniatures ever since. He really enjoys it and he's very good at it."

Scott is Laurie Willis' best carver — and he's 89 years old.

"I started carving after I retired, which was in 1991," he says. "My wife and I had a small motorhome

in Florida at the time, and I'd carve in my spare time."

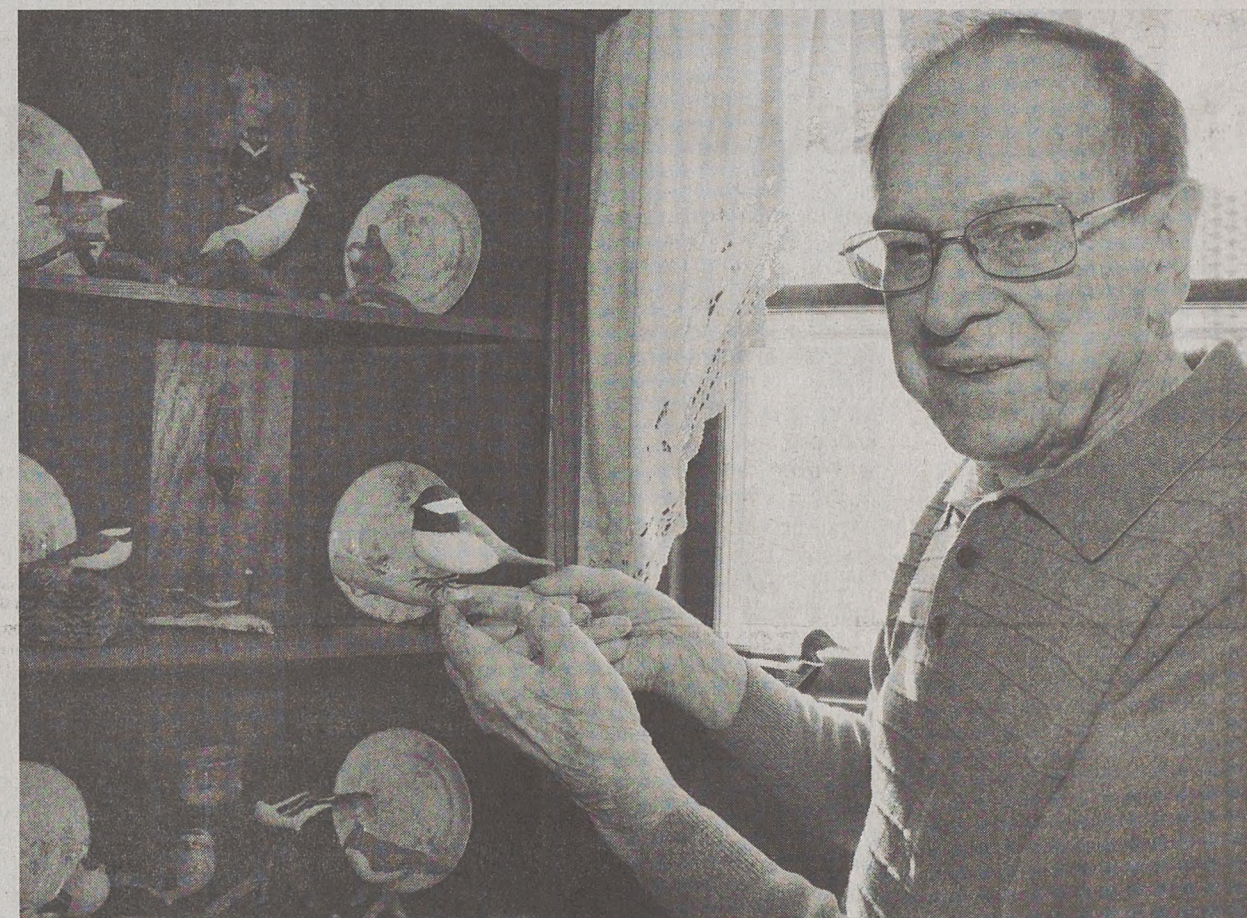
For Scott, carving is the best thing that he could do with his time.

"It's a good hobby. It keeps me active and gives me a purpose in life other than just sitting and watching television," he says.

In fact, he believes it's his woodcarving that has kept him alive so long.

"Here I am an old man... I've had something to occupy me. I think this is true of most of the people in the group," he says.

Scott's carvings include birds, like the chickadee, but he's also made ducks, pelicans, and a goose; he's made a wood carving design of his house; and now he's making all kinds of miniatures.



▲ Walter Scott showed off the collection of birds he carved from blocks of wood in his Tewksbury home. A collection of his work, including a set of golf clubs, is now on display at the Tewksbury Senior Center where he practices his craft once a week. (Photos by Maureen Brady)

Lifestyle

CARVING

Tewksbury seniors handy with knives

"I carved an eskimo dogsled team: six huskies, the eskimo, the sled, and a bear, and it's called 'Back from the Hunt,'" he says. "The miniatures I can do in about a week's time."

The class, including Scott, mostly uses basswood for their carvings — but it's a personal choice.

"It doesn't have a heavy grain to it, so when you use basswood, you can carve in all directions and it'll be smooth. When you finish, you don't see a pronounced difference in the grain," he says.

Scott starts with a square block of wood, visualizing the object he's creating in his head so that he knows what parts to cut away.

"Then you turn it around and look at the front and cut away the parts that would look like the

front, so you're eliminating the scrap wood and what you don't want to have there when you start whittling away," he says.

His carving is unique because he doesn't use a regular carving knife.

"I've been carving for 26 years, 95 percent of the time with my father's penknife," he says. "Years ago, all the men carried a pocket knife — a penknife is one of those." Scott says the penknife came from the age when pocketknives were used to carve quill pens, and the words blended together even though pocketknife is still in use.

Like Scott, the rest of the group have developed a personal style and find relief in their woodcarving.

"We're just expressing ourselves in wood," he says.

H A P P E N I N G S I N E D U C A T I O N

Driven to succeed, Gray manages good grades and extracurricular activities

By JULIA SESSA

A student that has a driven attitude and a desire to accomplish their goals is sure to succeed in anything they do. Alex Gray, a current TMHS senior is the perfect example of just that.

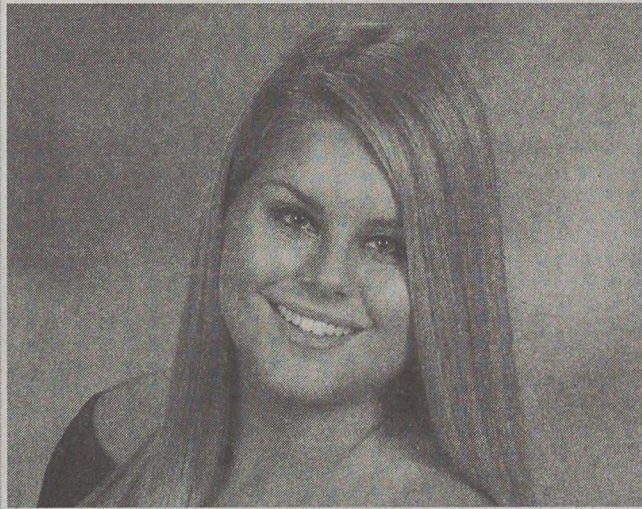
Daughter of Mauri and Jim Gray, Alex has lived in Tewksbury her whole life. With this being her last year of high school, Alex has decided to challenge herself in her academic setting. She is enrolled in classes such as, Chemistry, Anatomy and Physics, Honors English, Health Careers, and Statistics.

Furthermore, Alex has made Honor Roll all four years of high school. If her academic career is not a testament to her studious manner, then her extracurriculars will prevail.

Alex participates in SADD, which is Students Against Destructive Decisions, Book Buddies, and DECA.

Some of Alex's favorites include the movie, "The Best of Me," and her favorite artist is Luke Bryan. In Alex's free time she likes hanging out with friends and playing soccer, anything that keeps her active.

Alex's friends describe



her as responsible, kind-hearted, and compassionate. Lean Monteiro, TMHS senior, met Alex in the first grade at an extended day program.

"Alex is always there to pick me up when I'm down," illustrated Monteiro. "She is always there for great words of encouragement."

Another friend, Paige McGaffigan, TMHS senior, is Alex's nextdoor neighbor and has known her since the day they were born.

"Alex inspires me the way she follows her heart, and doing what she loves," stated McGaffigan. "She is always there when you need her, and will never let you down."

After high school Alex plans to be a nurse, and maybe get her masters to become a nurse practitioner. She has applied to Endicott, Sacred Heart, University of Massachusetts, MCPHS, and has just recently committed to Rivier.

Alex would like to thank her sister for always being by her side.

"She's the strongest human I know and she inspires me to strive to be as strong as her and maybe even better."

With only a short amount of time left of high school, Alex is excited to achieve her goals and look towards the future.

STUDENT PROFILES

Cronin has a passion for biology

By CASSIA BURNS

As she prepares for the future ahead of her, Ashley Cronin utilizes immense perseverance and determination to guarantee success. An active member of various extracurriculars and a standout student, she strives to achieve her goals on a daily basis.

Regarding academics, Ashley has taken on many rigorous classes throughout high school. Some include AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Statistics, Honors Biotechnology, and Honors American Lit. She is also in the TMHS Nursing Assistant Certification class. Her favorite class proved to be AP Biology.

"It was a lot of work," she states. "But I found out the biology was my passion."

In terms of extracurriculars, Ashley is on the yearbook staff, National Honor Society, and is a founding member and Co-President of the Red Cross Club. She also used to run track and cross country.

Last year, Ashley and a few other students were inspired to start the Red Cross Club in order to provide a club and resource for students with an inter-



est in the medical field.

"There was already a club geared towards community service here at TMHS," she stated. "But there wasn't anything really for kids leaning towards the medical field, and since I'm also interested in that, I wanted to make it happen."

Students participate in blood drives amongst many other community service projects such as making Christmas cards for veterans, and running charity drives for the House of Hope and Lowell General.

In their first year, the club was vastly successful,

gaining over 60 members. Their success continues today, as the club has continued involvement from much of the student body. As Co-President, Ashley is primarily in charge of organization and communication amongst club members and the various charities they work with.

When she has free time, Ashley enjoys a variety of activities. Some include running, playing the ukulele, reading, and skiing. Her favorite activity is skiing.

Looking towards the future, Ashley hopes to attend college to pursue an undergraduate degree in biology, with hopes of later studying medicine. She has applied to schools such as Boston University, Brandeis, Northeastern, Saint Anselm, Quinnipiac, Stonehill, and Emmanuel.

Regarding her vast accomplishments, Ashley credits the support of her family for enabling her to succeed. She also credits TMHS biology teacher, Shelly Galusha, for allowing her passion for biology to flourish.

"She helped me find my passion for science," she reflected. "She was always so supportive, and she acted like a second mom to me."



Tewksbury Police Log

Two arrested for drug possession at Papa Gino's

Monday, March 13

10:51 a.m. - A woman called the station to report she was having a problem with her neighbor at Summer Street. Officer reported the complainant is not coming to the door.

12:12 p.m. - A male party came into the police station to report that he was the victim of Identity Theft at Cinnamon Circle. Officer spoke to the party and no report necessary.

12:54 p.m. - Sometime recently someone stole a door off the caller's Bobcat at Winter Lane. It was parked at the end of Winter Lane and the police sent to speak with the caller. Officer filed a report.

2:57 p.m. - Valley transportation out of Tyngsboro reported a disruptive student in the school van at Whipple Road and Cham-

pion Street. The young student is getting aggressive with the bus driver. Police sent and all parties were spoken to. The mother of the student is coming to the scene to pick up the child.

Tuesday, March 14

11:58 a.m. - A plowing contractor requested an officer to monitor the Indian Ridge Condominiums for cars with no lights on in the white out conditions. Police sent and filed a report.

2:40 p.m. - A tree was on the wires at Forest Avenue and Woburn Street. Police sent and reported a parked car was hit by the tree on private property. National Grid notified.

3:49 p.m. - A 911 caller reported possible domestic violence in the lobby at Holiday Inn. The male party fled after pushing the officer. Jose Pelaez, 18, of 502

Garden St. in Hartford Connecticut, was arrested and charged with assault and battery, assault and battery on a police officer, pay for sexual conduct, and larceny over \$250.

7:50 p.m. - A person dressed in all black was walking down the middle of the road at MBT Worldwide Inc. Police reported gone on arrival.

Wednesday, March 15

2 p.m. - Caller at Barbara Lane reported her front door was open and window was broken. Police sent and filed a report.

4:49 p.m. - Homeowners at Erlin Avenue reported a large tree cracked and on the property line. DPW notified by message. DPW also notified to contact police department if the responsibility of the cleanup falls on the homeowner.

8:15 p.m. - Police sent to serve a warrant at Motel 6. Cristi Koutalakis, 35, of 12 Irving St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with a warrant for possession class B drugs, a warrant for breaking and entering nighttime building, a warrant for larceny from building, and a warrant for license not in possession.

Thursday, March 16

8:01 a.m. - Water main break occurred at David Morris Road. The DPW responded after the police arrived.

12:22 p.m. - Animal Control responded to a call at Birchwood Road for a male party who trapped a squirrel in the basement. It had babies. The Animal Control Officer was transporting them to a rehab.

Friday, March 17

12:26 a.m. - Police conducted a well being check at Oscar Pinata's. The police returned with one protective custody.

3:54 a.m. - A 911 caller at Preservation Way reported someone keeps banging on her house. Police sent, and they reported the officer checked the area and nothing was found.

1:45 p.m. - An intoxicated female expected to pick up her vehicle at Town Fair Tire. Police sent, and the party was picked up by a friend.

5:44 p.m. - Party in the lobby of the police station reported some tires were stolen at Main Street. Officer filed a report.

11:18 p.m. - Police sent for the caller's home at Charlotte Road. Police sent and spoke to the party. The vehicle was gone on arrival.

three counts of possession of class B drugs and two counts of possession of class E drugs. Carlie Parent, 25, of 100 Marion St. in Wilmington, was arrested and charged with two counts of possession of class C drugs and possession of class B drugs.

Saturday, March 18

3:20 p.m. - A young couple came to the station to report that they were just at their house at Kingston. They believe that someone broke in and they heard voices inside, unknown to them. Police and ambulance sent. They are all clear and everything checked out OK.

Sunday, March 19

7:24 p.m. - A 911 caller reported a vehicle off the road at Whipple Road. Kevin Gentz, 36, of 121 Trull Road in Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with second offense of OUI, and marked lanes violation.

7:37 p.m. - A suspicious vehicle parked in front of the caller's home at Charlotte Road. Police sent and spoke to the party. The vehicle was gone on arrival.

were called in a blue vehicle, possibly a Chevrolet.

9:13 p.m.: An Ashwood Avenue resident reported that his trash barrels were hit by an unknown vehicle.

Friday, March 17:

10:10 a.m.: Matthew Furlong, 29, of 10 Burlington Ave. was arrested on Burlington Avenue for open and gross lewdness.

2:43 p.m.: A Rhode Island resident was summonsed for operating with his license revoked after a collision by Sonny's Mobile on the Run on Lowell Street. His vehicle, a Chevrolet Silverado, was towed while the other vehicle, a BMW 328xi, was able to be driven away.

5:46 p.m.: A Lexus ES damaged a guardrail between the power station and the house closest to the cemetery on Wildwood Street. The vehicle had to be towed.

8:38 p.m.: A minor motor vehicle collision occurred at the intersection of Middlesex Avenue and Federal Street involving a Jeep Renegade and a Nissan NV200.

10:46 p.m.: Richard Dillon, 47, of 20 Hillside Ave. in Lawrence was arrested for his second offense for operating under the influence of liquor. Dillon had been driving erratically until he parked at the traffic light at the intersection of Middlesex Avenue and High Street and passed out in the driver's seat.

Saturday, March 18:

10:04 a.m.: A husky was spotted loose on Russell Road. The resident who spotted it was able to get close enough to the dog to read its tags, and the owner was identified and notified about the dog's whereabouts. The owner was able to come and retrieve their husky immediately.

11:19 a.m.: Police assisted the Fire Department with a vehicle fire on Washington Avenue that damaged a Porsche Cayenne, a garage door, and the garage's vinyl siding.

Sunday, March 19:

8:51 a.m.: At approximately 9:15 the night before, a resident on Amherst Road opened his door to find a burning piece of paper on his front steps. He was able to put out the piece of paper, but he also noticed a strange truck parked on the street by his house. It is unknown if the truck was connected.

6:02 p.m.: Two vehicles parked on Cedar Street, a Honda Accord and a Honda Odyssey, were keyed, each on one side.



Wilmington Police Log

Man arrested for OUI following accident

Monday, March 13:

8:18 p.m.: A police unit standing by during the meeting of the Board of Selectmen had to remove a disruptive resident at the request of the chairperson.

Tuesday, March 14:

12:01 p.m.: A motor vehicle collision occurred at the intersection of West Street and Industrial Way involving a Dodge Ram and a Kia Soul. Both vehicles remained drivable after the incident and no injuries were reported.

12:27 p.m.: A Toyota Corolla got stuck on the side of the road by Route 125 and Ballardvale and had to be towed.

3:22 p.m.: A tree fell on a

service line to a house on Park Street. It did not block the road. Reading Light was notified but could not give a time for their arrival, so the Fire Department removed it.

3:34 p.m.: A tree branch snapped and was caught on a wire over Concord Street in a position where it scratched cars driving past. Police assisted the Department of Public Works as they removed it.

3:57 p.m.: A tree fell onto a house on Auburn Avenue and made a hole in the roof. The tree did not impact the house enough to cause damage to the structure itself.

4:22 p.m.: Reading Light and the Tree Department removed the obstructions to

Chapman Avenue caused when a tree took down wires.

4:28 p.m.: The top of a pole on Brattle Street was lit on fire by sparking wires. The wires themselves were not down. The Fire Department handled the small electrical fire.

Wednesday, March 15:

3:18 p.m.: A three car motor vehicle collision involving a Honda Civic, a Chevrolet Silverado, and a Honda Accord occurred at the intersection of Lowell Street and Strout Avenue. One airbag was deployed in the collision. The driver of the Civic was summonsed for operating a motor vehicle after revocation of their license.

5:46 p.m.: Police received a call reporting that a Cadillac CTS was struck in a hit and run on Ballardvale Street. The caller was not able to describe the other vehicle, but told police that it left the scene toward I93.

6:38 p.m.: A tree fell on a a Hyundai Elantra on Horsehoe Lane. The vehicle's trunk and back window were damaged.

11:28 p.m.: Michael Zarrella, 57, of 104 Mink Run Road was arrested after crashing his car into a snowbank by the intersection of Mink Run Road and Hopkins Street. He was charged with negligent operation of a motor vehicle, marked lanes violation, speeding, and his third offense for operating

under the influence of liquor. His car, a Hyundai Elantra, got stuck in the snowbank and turned out to have hit a rock wall.

Thursday, March 16:

10:36 a.m.: Two were injured in a collision at the intersection of Cross Street and Main Street involving a Buick LeSabre and a Toyota RAV4. One of the injured parties was transported by the Fire Department.

8:16 p.m.: An assault at a Dunkin Donuts on Main Street was reported by a manager who was off site at the time. The Fire Department evaluated and transported the victim. The suspect fled the scene about 10 minutes before the police

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Local officials not in favor of supporting bill in current form

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detainees, and take action both in the civil and criminal side. Therefore, I don't know what you would call a sanctuary city in that situation."

Through talking to chiefs in sanctuary cities, Chief Begonis' also learned of another issue that can occur.

"The difficulty that some of these chiefs have, and we don't have this similar experience, because we don't have a high percentage of immigrants in Wilmington that have recently entered into the country and a lot of folks that might have issues with their status here. In those other communities, their experience is that they feel that the communication coming forward in crime reporting might be stalled because the individual who does not have the proper status in the country may not want to discuss that with the police for fear of being deported. That's certainly real, and that can certainly happen in a lot of situations," he explained.

As well as getting information from Chief Begonis, the board also asked the legislative delegation what their opinions on this bill are where it stood at the time. The board received correspondence from State Representative James Miceli stating that he did not support the bill in its current form; they also received correspondence from State Representative Kenneth Gordon stating that he was "wishy-washy" on the bill supporting it in principal, but that if he had to vote on it the way it was written at the time he would vote no; and while there was no official correspondence from Senator Bruce Tarr, Selectman Champoux had a conversation with him in which he stated that he also did not support the language of this bill.

Selectman Michael McCoy first brought this bill up to the board at the Jan. 23 Board of Selectmen meeting, and he noted that the bill has changed and will probably change multiple times.

"I'm the selectman that brought this up originally. I read an article in the Lowell Sun, an editorial, and it really kind of hit me that Senator Eldridge wanted to propose legislation before the State House basically making the 351 cities and towns a safe haven for illegal immigrants.

"I'm not an authority on the subject, (and) I even said it back then when I brought it up. Then after about three-four weeks it started hitting nationally, not because of this by any stretch, but it's just an issue that's been dealing for a long time. Since then the bill has been changed so it's probably going to get changed again and again."

McCoy later continued, "I was just hoping to try to have a conversation about it. I'm satisfied with what's taken place thus far, and I appreciate your comments (Chief Begonis) and I feel good that you do a great job. We have a great police department and they keep us safe, that's the most important thing."

Selectman Michael Champoux stated on the subject, "as I look at the chief and I hear that he can, irrespective of the language of the bill, continue to offer the support and security to our population, that's what concerns me the most. If this bill presented the chief a barrier or a challenge or somehow put walls up, so to speak, between your ability to continue to do what it is you do for the town of Wilmington, then I might have some additional direction or steps that need to be taken, but at the end of the day it's in the hands of our legislators."



Wilmington/Tewksbury Chamber of Commerce

The Wilmington/Tewksbury Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors at Windsor Place for the Annual Chamber Breakfast. Front: Dave O'Neil (seated on left), Jim Lavalle, Chamber Executive Assistant Jennifer Pietropaolo, Executive Director Nancy Vallee, Chamber President Dan Esdale (seated on right). Back from left: Erin Knyff, Dr. Steven Jensen, Rob Digilio, Mark Kratman, Mike Champoux, Hanson Bechet, Nancy Brown, Sheila Bissett, Arthur Costa, and Colleen McCann. Bruce Hilliard, also a member of the board is behind the camera! Honorary board member Stu Neilson was unable to make the meeting.

(Photo by BruceHilliard.com)

Richards earns academic recognition from NFHCA

WORCESTER — Wilmington's Amanda Richards was one of 11 WPI student-athletes to be recognized by the NFHCA for their work in the classroom.

Senior Hope Shevchuk claimed her fourth National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) Scholar of Distinction honor while 10 others were also named to the National Academic Squad and the team earned its 13th consecutive National Academic Team Award.

Junior Sabrina Guzzi, a three-time National Academic Squad member, joined the dual sport student-athlete on the Scholar of Distinction scroll. Senior Allie

Buckley and Izzy Garver also secured their third as junior Amanda Richards, sophomore Carrie Pozzic, and sophomore Zoe Schwartz collected their second in as many years. Junior Abby King returned to the list while sophomore Karen Noble, as well as newcomers Hannah Larochelle and Suzy Opalka met the requirements for the first time.

All three awards are based on GPA during the fall semester of the current academic year. Scholars of Distinction have achieved a cumulative GPA of 3.90 or higher while the National Academic Squad honorees achieved a 3.0 and the

National Academic Team Award recognizes those institutions that achieved a minimum team grade-point average of 3.0.

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Wilmington man busted for indecent exposure

By JESSICA KASPARIAN
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — Matthew P. Furlong, age 29, of Wilmington, was arrested and charged with "open and gross lewdness" in connection to an indecent exposure incident at Heav'nly Donuts.

In a March 13 surveillance video released by Wilmington Police, a male is seen approaching the counter at the 579 Main St. store, where he allegedly exposed himself to a female clerk.

Police asked that anyone able to identify the suspect contact the detectives, which led to the March 17 arrest at Furlong's Andover home.

It was reported that Furlong was arraigned in Woburn District Court where he was released on \$300 cash bail with the condition that he not have any contact with the female clerk.

Reports also stated that Furlong had exposed himself before.

"(Prosecutor Kristen Hughes) said Furlong had a prior incident where he exposed himself while sitting in his car at the drive-up window at Dunkin' Donuts."

Furlong will continue to receive treatment for what defense attorney Douglas Sears identified as, "a significant mental-health issue," reports stated.



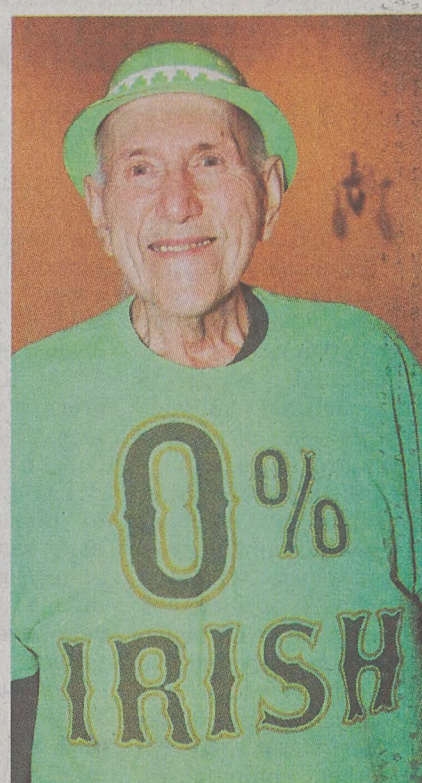
St. Patrick's Celebration for seniors at K of C

▲ Peter MacLellan and his wife, Vicky have sponsored a free St. Patrick's day meal to Wilmington Seniors for the past six years. The event is usually held at the Buzzell Senior Center, but when the MacLellan's learned there was a waiting list, they moved their luncheon to the K of C, to include everyone.

(Photos by Maureen Brady)

► (Top right) Ed Melanson denies any Irish heritage but still enjoyed the Wilmington Knights of Columbus St. Patrick's Day dinner.

► (Right) Wilmington seniors enjoyed a St. Patrick's Day corned beef and cabbage dinner at the Wilmington K of C on Friday. This annual event is sponsored by Peter and Vicky MacLellan. Terry Marciello served the 150 guests including Terry Biondo coming through the buffet line.



Search for interim supt. begins anew

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"Our next item of business is to appoint an interim for the remainder of the school year. Continuing to provide an exceptional educational experience for all Wilmington children re-

mains our priority."

On her resignation, Supt. Benton said on Wednesday morning, "I love Wilmington and I loved working here. Unfortunately, I am dealing with some health issues that are my priority right now. I want to thank the Wil-

mington School Committee for inviting me back and the staff, students, and families for their warm welcome.

"I have enjoyed every minute of my time back in Wilmington and will assist the Interim Superintendent in any way I can."

Become a part of Wilmington's photographic history

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a chance to do a video even if you do not bring photos.

Whether it is a photo of your home itself or a picture of a family meal or a child's graduation, it is all relevant.

As Charlotte Wood, Library Assistant Director, explains, "We tend to think in terms of modern photographs."

She elaborated for the group. "Maybe you took a picture of the first day of school for your children. It doesn't seem unique, but look at the old pictures we have now. They are very interesting to us. We wonder about their hairstyles and what they are wearing. Think not just 10 years, but a 100 years from now."

Besides people to share their stories, volunteers are needed for that day. Their tasks would involve things like helping people fill out forms or ushering people from station to station.

The group at the kick-off meeting are the Planning Team who will publicize the event and who will organize participants and volunteers. Town officials were there as well as representatives from local churches, non-profits, media, and organizations like the Rotary Club and the Fourth of July Committee.

Among the town representatives was the Assistant School Superintendent Sean Gallagher. He was quite enthusiastic about the project.

"This is a great opportunity for the kids to be involved. Not only for community service credit, but more importantly, it is a chance for them to get involved in the town's history... to give them a true understanding of what Wilmington pride is all about."

Beyond just gathering the information, the day is meant to be a chance for people to come together and learn about the history of

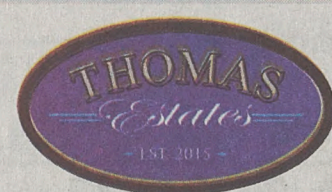
their town from each other. UMASS Boston's Carolyn Goldstein who presented the overview at the meeting describes a very interactive and fun day.

"People may just want to come and watch," she said. "We display the photos there as we scan them."

So far, they have done the road show in 31 towns and collected more than 9,000 photographs and stories from across the state. The images and videos are indexed and incorporated into an online educational database.

This year there will be four more added. In addition to Wilmington, Nahant (April 1), Eastham (May 7), Marshfield (Oct. 28) will have road shows. Since anyone can attend, interested Wilmington residents can go to one of these to learn what to expect in the fall here.

For more information, contact Charlotte Wood at cwood@wilmlibrary.org.



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Wilmington Selectmen: Has Woburn considered alternatives for bridge?

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as to whether the City of Woburn has considered any alternative overpass locations to the re-establishment of the New Boston Street Bridge. He remains con-

cerned about the impact of additional traffic traveling through Wilmington streets to access the New Boston Street Bridge.

"If there have been other locations along the Boston & Maine rail corridor in North

Woburn that would provide access to the Anderson Regional Transportation Center and fulfill the city's other objectives, we would be interested in learning about those alternatives and the reason(s) for not pursuing them."



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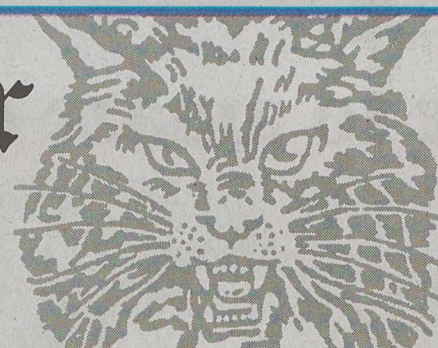
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Wilmington resident Tia Martignetti is all smiles as she holds up the NEPSAC Division 2 Championship trophy as a member of the Worcester Academy girls' hockey team. (courtesy photo).

Martignetti helps Worcester Academy capture NEPSAC Division 2 Championship

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Tia Martignetti sure knows how to make a great first impression.

The talented defenseman, a Wilmington native, had spent the first two years of her high school career at Arlington Catholic, helping the Cougars to a state finals appearance at TD Garden in her freshman season. But for her junior year in high school and for hockey, she decided to make a change, transferring to Worcester Academy this past fall.

As changes go, things could not have gone any better for Martignetti or Worcester Academy, as she recently helped lead the Hilltoppers to the NEPSAC Girls Division 2 Prep championship, the first championship in program history.

"Tia came in and right away it seemed like she had been with us for years. She quickly became one of our leaders," Worcester Academy coach Kevin Zifcak said. "She's a great kid, and she helped solidify our defense. We had lost a couple of kids to graduation, but she came in and contributed a lot for us on the power play and on the penalty kill. Our defense did a good job shutting teams down all season."

"I loved Arlington Catholic and I loved my coach (Maggie Taverna), but Worcester Academy was just a better opportunity for me school wise and hockey wise," Martignetti said. "And to win the championship this season was just awesome. We had some ups and downs during the season, but we were confident going into the tournament, so it was very exciting."

Martignetti was a huge part of that excitement, particularly in the championship game against Gunnery, where she scored the first goal of the game for the Hilltoppers early in the first period, on a 4-on-3 power play, to give her team a quick 1-0 lead.

"That was awesome, it was such a great feeling," Martignetti said. "It doesn't mean everything to get the first goal, but it means a lot."

It was awesome to start off that way."

Zifcak certainly enjoyed seeing Martignetti get the team off to a fast start.

"She made a great play. She went D to D, and then she got the puck back and she waited before she shot, and she scored through a screen," Zifcak said. "She did a good job waiting. Most kids would not have that patience, but she did a good job waiting for the screen."

Martignetti's teammates followed her lead, jumping out to a 2-0 lead at the end of one period, and a 4-1 lead at the end of two. Gunnery would surge back, however, with two quick goals in the third period, closing to within 4-3 with 7:19 still left in the game. The Hilltoppers refused to fold however, and held on for a 5-3 championship victory after an empty net goal with 1:17 left.

"It was really stressful with them coming back," Martignetti said. "We just tried to stay confident and not panic with the puck. We just tried to make simple plays."

The thrilling final over Gunnery was just the latest in a series of great playoff games for the Hilltoppers, who had started their playoff run with a 2-0 win over Brooks Academy in the quarterfinals and then Thayer Academy in the semifinals, two teams that had previously caused Worcester some problems.

"We had lost to Thayer 6-3 earlier in the season, so going in we weren't sure we would be able to pull it off, but we just went in and gave it our best and we got it done," Martignetti said. "It was the same with Brooks, because this was our first year beating them."

Martignetti was certainly not alone in her efforts in leading the Hilltoppers to the NEPSAC title, as they have a team that featured NEPSAC Division 2 Player of the Year, forward Micaela Sindoris, but there is no denying she was a big part of the reason, as she was one of three Hilltoppers named to the All-NEPSAC team.

"That really came as a shock to me," Martignetti

said. "I am new to the league, so I didn't even know they did anything like that. My coach (Kevin Zifcak) called me down and said we had a meeting, and then he told me. I was so excited. It is really a great honor."

Making Martignetti's accomplishments even more special is that she got them done all while adjusting to a new league, new players and a new level of competition in the NEPSAC. Fortunately, Martignetti was well prepared for the elite competition, being no stranger to it, both at Arlington Catholic, as well as with the Boston Junior Eagles, her club team, which recently won the Tier 1 MA State Championship, outscoring their opponents by a combined score of 28-0 over the five game tournament.

"Tia had already been playing at a high level, with both Arlington Catholic and her club team," Zifcak said. "She was ready to contribute right away, which was nice, because sometimes the transition is difficult for our younger players."

Of course, coming soon will be another step up in competition, as Martignetti is starting to make plans for college in the fall of 2018.

"I have been starting to think about it," Martignetti said. "Over spring break and over the summer, we will start looking more at colleges and will decide what to do."

But before college arrives, there is still work to be done at the high school level for Martignetti and he teammates, namely defending their NEPSAC title next season. The Hilltoppers do lose some quality players to graduation, but they bring the bulk of their team back, and Martignetti is looking forward to the opportunity to repeat as champions.

"I am really forward to next season. Hopefully we can be just as successful," Martignetti said. "We have a lot of kids coming back. We lose our starting goalie and a couple of defensemen, and we will definitely miss them, but hopefully we will be strong again."

Edmond DeAngelis and Felipe Pinto

Pair of wrestlers end tremendous careers at LCA

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Edmond DeAngelis has put together a remarkable wrestling career over the past four years at Lexington Christian Academy (LCA). The Wilmington native has won more than 100 matches, to go along with two league titles, while also placing in the New England Individual School Wrestling Association (NEISWA) Prep Tournament for three consecutive years, and winning two matches at this year's National Prep Tournament.

A tremendous career no doubt, but it is also a career that may never have happened if not for fate intervening four years ago. At that time, Charlie Cowen had just been hired to take over the wrestling program at LCA, and he walked into the wrestling room for his first practice with his new team. On one of the mats were a pair of young men in the middle of a match, one of them already a returning member of the squad, the other, not so much.

The technique of the non-wrestler may have been a little raw, but Cowen, a veteran coach, saw something he liked in the young man. That young man happened to be Edmond DeAngelis.

Problem was, DeAngelis, just a freshman at the time, had already committed to playing basketball at LCA. That hardly mattered to Cowen. All it took was a little convincing. After all, DeAngelis had already equipped himself for basketball.

"I had already bought my basketball shoes," DeAngelis recalled. "My friend and I were just fooling around in the wrestling room when coach Cowen saw me. I had a long conversation with coach Cowen and he just convinced me."

Cowen remembers that first meeting similarly.

"Edmond has been an amazing story. The first day I started as wrestling coach, I saw him at school, ready to go out for basketball, and I just talked him out of it," Cowen said. "I think I just kind of kept persisting with him and I told him he would be better off with wrestling, and the rest is history."

And what a history it has been for DeAngelis, who wrestles at 182 pounds. He, along with another LCA senior wrestler, Felipe Pinto (220 pounds), wrapped up their incredible careers recently. Pinto has a great

story of his own, having been a three-time league finalist, while also qualifying for Nationals this season.

"They are two of the of the most dedicated wrestlers I have ever coached," Cowen said. "Edmond has a real passion about everything to do with the sport."

DeAngelis' most recent outstanding performance came at this year's NEISWA tournament on February 17 and 18 at the Hyde School in Bath Maine. DeAngelis put on a remarkable display of resiliency at the tournament. After winning his first match of the weekend

Rather than giving in to any negative thoughts, he instead refocused himself and went on to win his next four matches, including a thriller in the consolation semifinals when he pulled out a dramatic 3-2 win over Aiden Reynolds of the Brunswick School, and then in third place match with a pin over Henry Wilson of Portsmouth Abbey in a time of 3:31.

That win put DeAngelis at 5-1 for the tournament and gave him not only a third place finish, but a spot in the national tournament.

"The coaches always preach that if you can't fin-



Edmond DeAngelis, left, and Felipe Pinto, right, enjoyed tremendous wrestling careers at Lexington Christian Academy. (courtesy photo).

in the round of 16, DeAngelis lost his quarterfinal match, moving him down to the consolation bracket.

"I was kind of disappointed after losing in the quarterfinals, because I knew if I had won that match, I would have gone on to the semifinals and guaranteed myself qualifying for Nationals," DeAngelis said.

DeAngelis was disappointed, but not discouraged.

ish in first place, keep working to finish as high as you can," DeAngelis said. "If you are a wrestler you have to be mentally tough, so I just focused on what I had to do."

Cowen was impressed not only with what DeAngelis accomplished at this year's NEISWA Meet, but with what he has done throughout his career.

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Michelle ends season at St. Lawrence and Sara at UMass-Boston

Alonardo Sisters continue to amaze on and off the ice

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The story of Sara and Michelle Alonardo seems almost too amazing to be true in many ways.

The hockey playing sisters from Wilmington have already overcome more in their young lives than most people will ever have to, but that is not even the most impressive part of their story. Rather, the most impressive thing about them is to hear others talk about them, and hear about the way they inspire those around them.

The two sisters, Sara, a senior forward at UMass Boston and Michelle a junior forward at St. Lawrence University, were hit with devastating news in April of 2015 when their father, Tony Alonardo, well known in the town of Wilmington for helping countless young people through Wilmington Youth Hockey, passed away at the age of 49. It was a blow that many people might never be able to bounce back from, particularly for a pair of siblings like Sara and Michelle, who were blessed to be extremely close with their father.

But instead of being stopped in their tracks by the tragic loss of their dad, the Alonardo sisters instead chose to push forward, to not make excuses, and to continue being the best students, players and people they could be. And judging by the reactions of those around them, they have done all that and more.

Sara's coach at UMass Boston, Lindsay Berman, gushed when asked about what Sara has meant to the Beacons for the past two seasons, and how much the team will miss her.

"Sara is just the greatest kid. I feel like that term is used a lot, but with Sara it is really true. We will miss her personality a lot," Berman said. "She is a true team player, who cares about her teammates, and always does what's best for the team whether she is in the lineup or not. I just can't say enough about her."

Chris Wells, Michelle's coach at St. Lawrence, was equally effusive in his praise of Michelle.

"Michelle brings a lot of energy to our team, and she is one of those kids that seems to have a smile on her face all the time," Wells said. "She is just so appreciative of playing and being part of the team and she is such a great teammate. She has touched a lot of people with her attitude. There have been a lot of things that have not gone her way, but she never lets it affect the way she treats other people."

Both coaches were also amazed at the way the Alonardo sisters were able to get their lives back in order and refuse to use their grief as any sort of excuse.

"I think brave would be an understatement to describe

Sara," Berman said. "I know how close she was to her dad, and what a big influence he had on her. For her to be able to get up every day, and to go to school and to practice is amazing. I am sure she still thinks about it, but she never, ever complained or made excuses. She just managed it. It is really pretty unbelievable."

Regarding Michelle, Wells added, "She was as strong as anyone I could ever imagine going through something like that. I have 17-year-old daughters of my own, and to see Michelle handle it with such dignity was amazing. She was adamant about not having school work pushed back or anything like that."

THE BEST COACH EVER

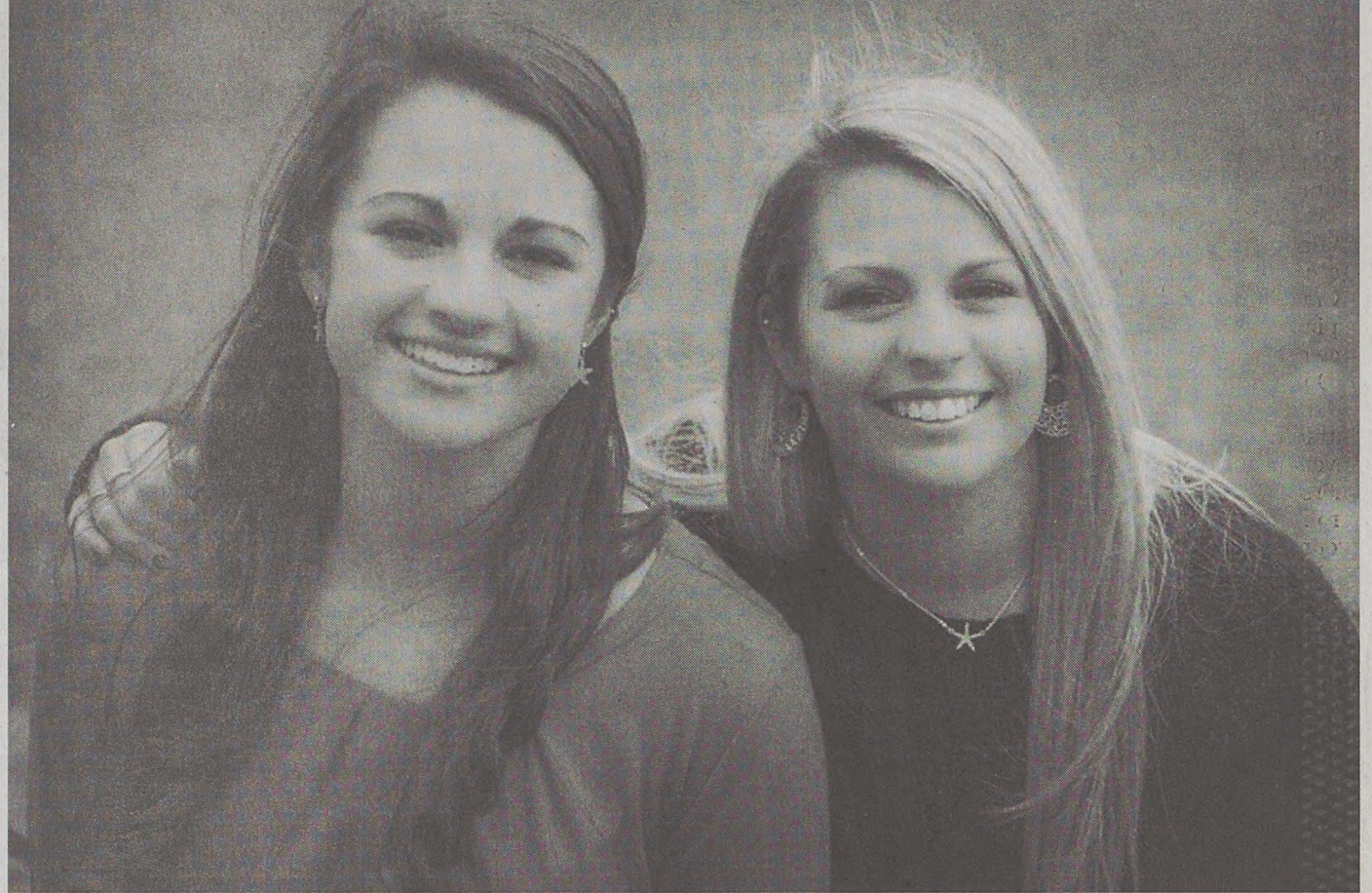
For Sara and Michelle, getting back to school and getting back to playing hockey was a simple matter of getting back to doing what they love, the ground-work for that love having been laid by their father over many years of his dedication to their game.

"My dad was the best coach I ever had," Sara said. "He taught me so much about the game and how to love it. He is the reason I fell in love with the game. He taught me not just skills, but how to act as a player. Everyone I talk to about him seems to feel the same way, that he taught them not just how to play hockey, but also how to play the right way and how to pick yourself up when you are down."

"My dad was the whole reason I love the game so much," Michelle said. "He got me into hockey from the time I could walk, waking up at 6:00 a.m. and getting me to practice. He was very tough on us because he wanted us to be the best players we could be. At times I didn't like it, but he was always trying to get the best from us. If he wasn't there, I wouldn't be the player I am today."

And what players the Alonardo sisters have become. Sara, a 2012 graduate of The Governor's Academy Byfield where she also played lacrosse, had a remarkable high school career, serving as team captain in her senior year of 2012, and being named All-League Honorable Mention in both her junior and senior seasons, while helping to lead the team to the New England Division 3 championship in 2009, 2010 and 2011. She then moved on to St. Anselm College for her freshman year before transferring to UMass Boston prior to her sophomore year.

Michelle meanwhile, was a three-sport athlete at Governor's Academy, playing soccer and lacrosse along with hockey before graduating in 2014, was also the team's captain during her senior season of 2014, while also twice capturing



Sisters Michelle (left) and Sara Alonardo have continued to play the game they love at the college ranks. Michelle has excelled at St. Lawrence University and Sara at UMass-Boston. (courtesy photo).

All-League honors, and helping the team to the New England Division 3 championship in 2011.

A ROAD TO RECOVERY

Both players recently wrapped up incredible seasons, with Sara being part of a UMass Boston team that set a school record for most wins in a season with 19 before being eliminated in the NEHC Tournament semifinals by Manhattanville College. While she would have loved to see her team advance further in the tournament and possibly win the NEHC Tournament as they did the previous season, she was overall very pleased with how the season went.

"It was definitely a very successful season," Sara said. "The team set a record for most wins in a season, but really the best thing was watching everyone grow as a team and as a family. We had a young team, we had ten or eleven rookies who helped us get to where we were and to have such a great season."

For Sara, just being on the ice this season made it a great season. After a successful freshman year at St. Anselm in 2012-13, she transferred over to UMass Boston, where she had a great sophomore season in 2014-15, scoring five goals and five assists while playing in 23 games, blocking 12 shots along the way. She seemed primed for a big junior season heading into the 2015-16 season, but a back injury and the ensuing surgery and recovery kept her out of game action for the entire season.

"That was definitely tough not to be able to be out there with the team," Sara said. "I was able to practice with them, but I could not play so that was tough. You don't realize how much you use your back until you

have an injury like that. We are lucky to have a great training staff at UMass Boston and they did everything they could to get me back on the ice."

"Even though I was injured, it was still great to be with the team and to see them do so well. Seeing them win the conference championship that year was one of the best moments of my life."

Hearing Sara say that seeing her teammates win was a great moment in her life would not surprise Berman at all, as it once again displays the team first attitude she has come to expect.

"I can't imagine how hard that must have been for her to be out all that time, but she masked it so well," Berman said. "She came to the rink every day with a smile on her face. And her recovery was incredible. A back injury makes it so hard to just skate, let alone actually play, but she did it. It is pretty amazing what she did with her recovery."

Sara's resilience and ability to come back from her injury while dedicating herself so completely to the game and to her team won her the respect and admiration of her teammates and her coaches, as Berman explains.

"She was definitely one of our team leaders. She didn't wear a letter, but she is a leader because she does things the right way," Berman said. "There is nothing fake about her. She is someone the kids want to emulate. When you consider all that she has been through and the way she has handled everything, it makes the kids realize anything they are going through is not that bad."

That recovery made this season even made this season all the more special for Sara, who closed out her career as a senior by making a triumphant return and playing in 22 of the Beacons

27 games. It has been a remarkable season and a remarkable career for her at UMass Boston, and she is grateful for her experience with the school and with the team.

"The Beacon community has given me so many memories, especially over the last year and a half," Sara said. "If not for them I would not have gotten through it and be the person I am today."

SIXTH IN THE NATION

For Michelle, the season was equally rewarding, as she was part of a St. Lawrence squad that was ranked as high as fourth in the nation at one point in the Women's Division 1 College Hockey poll, and advancing to the NCAA quarterfinals before being eliminated by Boston College. Overall, the Saints finished at 26-6-4 and closed out the season being ranked sixth in the nation.

"It was an unbelievable season," Michelle said. "We were ranked something like seventh in our league (ECAC) at the start of the season and we ended up finishing second and going to the NCAA Tournament. It was nice to prove people wrong and to have that kind of success as a team."

Alonardo played in 25 of the Saints 36 games on the season, a pretty impressive accomplishment for a player who walked on to the Division 1 Saints three years ago, and has battled each year to earn a roster spot among some of the best players in the country. Alonardo looked back on what it was like first earning a spot on the team.

"I knew I wanted to go to St. Lawrence, and I still wanted to play hockey, so I talked to the coach and he told me I could try out," Michelle said. "Right from the get go, I was with the

team. I went through all of the practices and everything. When coach Wells told me I had made the team it was very rewarding. I had always dreamed of playing in college, so to be on the team was a great feeling."

An even better feeling for Michelle came back on January 13, when she scored her first collegiate goal as part of a 7-2 win over Brown. It was a moment nobody, including coach Wells, will ever forget.

"That was one of the most memorable goals of my coaching career," Wells said. "She was just in the right place at the right time, as she always seems to be, whether it is in a game or in practice. With everything she has been through it was great to see her get that first goal."

It is a moment that Alonardo herself will also obviously never forget.

"It was exciting to get that first goal," Michelle said. "I am not a goal scorer, but I usually try to set up other people for success. Coach Wells got me the game puck, and he was so excited for me. It was so great to get that kind of recognition. I guess that's what every player wants."

Michelle of course, still has another season ahead of her, as she will return next year for her senior season with one of the best teams in the country.

"I am really excited for next season," Michelle said. "I feel like we can build off of this season and then go into next season with a little chip on our shoulders after the way this season ended. We have a lot of strong leaders on our team, and I think that will help us get where we want to be, which is the Frozen Four. I think we have a chance to do that."



Sara Alonardo in action for the UMass-Boston women's ice hockey team. (courtesy photo/UMB).



And Michelle Alonardo in action for the St. Lawrence University women's ice hockey team. (courtesy photo/STU).

Road Race Calendar in Wilmington and Tewksbury

On April 23, 2017 at 11AM, We're One Wilmington (WOW) will host its seventh annual 5K Run for Wilmington / Kim Forte walk, featuring a fun-filled morning of entertainment, friendly competition and community spirit.

We will gather at the Wilmington Town Common to celebrate both the life of Kim Forte and the amazing spirit of this very special town.

Our course is fast and flat and is ideal for all ages and athletic abilities. Last year's event attracted over 500 runners, walkers and spectators from Wilmington and surrounding towns.

Registration is now open. Don't miss out on the fun - it is a wonderful way to kick off spring! Registration can be completed online or through our mail-in registration form. Both can be found at <http://www.onewilmington.org/road-race/registration/>.

Proceeds from the road race will be used, in part, to fund the WOW scholarship program, which has awarded over \$35,000 to deserving Wilmington students over the past seven years.

For the fourth year, WOW will also donate \$3 per youth and \$5 per adult registration back to local non-profit organizations selected by registered participants.

Since we have started this tradition, our participants have raised over \$8,000 for many deserving Wilmington organizations. We invite any Wilmington nonprofit groups to register their name (if it is not already listed) and encourage participating supporters to select their organization upon registration. A list of organizations can be found on our registration page at <http://www.onewilmington.org/road-race/registration/>. To request your organization be added, please contact Joe Martiniello at wow5k@onewilmington.org.

WOW is actively seeking sponsors for this event. Opportunities run the gamut and no level of sponsorship is too small. It is largely through the generosity of our sponsors that we are able to fund our many charitable initiatives.

Sponsorship levels and benefits can be found on our web site at: <http://www.onewilmington.org/road-race/sponsorship/>. Early bird rates are available until March 24, 2017.

We invite you to visit www.onewilmington.org to learn more about We're One Wilmington and the 7th Annual 5K Run for Wilmington / Kim Forte Walk.

McCarthy Road Race

The 8th annual Meghan McCarthy Memorial Road Race will be held on April 9, 2017 at 9:00 am. The route is a certified 5K USATF course that leaves from Tewksbury High School.

The first 100 runners or walkers to register will receive a free t-shirt. The Free shirts are running out so register TODAY!

Online Registration Fee: \$30.00; Day of race: \$35.00; Pre-bib pickup: TBD

We look forward to seeing you this Spring!

For more information, log on to: <https://endurance-cui.active.com/event-reg/select-race?e=41685153>.

Chamber Road Race

The Wilmington/Tewksbury Chamber of Commerce is proud to announce that five scholarships are available to Wilmington residents who will be graduating from high school this year.

Every September, the Chamber of Commerce hosts Wilmington's annual Half Marathon & 5K Run/Walk. A portion of the proceeds from their 2016 race allow the Chamber to award the five scholarships this June to graduating



Paulette Braffitt, Bill Daniels, Christine Kinnon and Principal Kristen Vogel gather together to show athletic pictures from the TMHS Class of 1964, which donated the beautiful display. (courtesy photo).

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Chamber of Commerce, 226 Lowell St., Suite B4 no later than May 2, 2017.

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Wilmington Bantam 2's win state championship title

Last October, the Wilmington Youth Hockey Association Bantam 2 team earned their invitation to the Mass Hockey State Championships with a dominating performance in the District 10 playoffs.

The players sharpened their skills with nearly a full season of Valley League play before the Tier III Medium State Championship Tournament on March 10-12, 2017 at the Olympia Ice Center in West Springfield, MA.

The defensive group in front of goalie Max Churchill generally control the puck and allow the Wilmington forwards to apply the offensive pressure. Right shot defenseman Connor Hill usually pairs with left shot Zach Smith, and righty Harry Serounian with lefty Liam Prigmore.

On the forward lines, the team has nine right-handed players, so manning the left wing has presented a challenge and a learning experience for the group as someone is always on their weak side.

The team has settled into regular lines with Drew Gallucci centering Nate Packer to the left and Joseph Hansen to the right. That trio is followed by Joseph Cornish skating between Jake Fox on right wing and Anthony Bowker on left wing.

Rounding out the forward lines, Joseph Hartzell centered Colin Walsh and Cody Mercuri, both wings as likely to skate the left or right side depending on the matchup with the opposition.

In the tournament, Hartzell sometimes moved up to play left wing to Cornish and allow Bowker to skate to his forehand on the right side, Fox then shifting to center on the third line.

The tournament opened with divisional round robin play. The Olympic Division had Weymouth, Nashoba, Dorchester, and Holy Name of West Springfield playing against each other. The American Division consisting of Pembroke, Chelmsford, and Twin City

(Fitchburg/Leominster) played against the National Division of Triton, Wakefield, and Wilmington.

The Wildcats opened on Friday evening against Pembroke. The first period was scoreless, with Wilmington killing off two penalties.

About halfway through the second period, Joseph Hansen broke the deadlock with a goal assisted by defenseman Connor Hill. Late in the second, it was Hansen getting the first assist as Drew Gallucci scored. Nate Packer also earned an assist on the play. Those two goals would hold up through the third period. Although Wilmington couldn't extend the lead on two power play chances, the shutdown defense continued and Wilmington took the 2-0 victory.

On Saturday morning, Wilmington met the Twin City Hawks. The Wildcats took advantage of an early power play, with Anthony Bowker scoring unassisted less than two minutes into the game.

The first period played out with no further scoring and Wilmington killing a penalty of their own. In the second period the blue and white exploded for four unanswered goals. Nate Packer just thirty seconds in, with assists for Hansen and Hill.

Hansen got a second assist on Drew Gallucci's first goal of the game, and then Gallucci scored unassisted. Seconds after Gallucci's strike, Colin Walsh scored with an assist from Joseph Cornish. Carrying a five goal lead to the final period, the 'Cats pulled away with two more goals in rapid succession. Anthony Bowker got his second goal, and Cornish got his second assist, followed soon after by Colin Walsh's second goal off a feed from Joseph Hartzell.

The convincing 7-0 victory also allowed for the players to take short shifts and save energy for the afternoon game.

Facing Chelmsford in the last game of the preliminary



The Wilmington Bantam 2 youth hockey team captured the state championship recently. The team includes back row from left: Asst Coach Mark Mercuri, Cody Mercuri, Assistant Captain Anthony Bowker, Zach Smith, Joe Hansen, Jake Fox, captain Harry Serounian, Head Coach Raymond Mercuri, Joe Cornish, Max Churchill, Asst Coach David Smith and captain Liam Prigmore. Front row from left includes: Connor Hill, Joe Hartzell, Assistant Captain Drew Gallucci, Colin Walsh and Assistant Captain Nate Packer. (courtesy photo)

round was the biggest challenge Wilmington would face. The Lions struck first, the first goal allowed by Wilmington in the entire playoffs going all the way back to the District games in October.

The Wildcats struck back with Anthony Bowker scoring a hard fought goal when Drew Gallucci's shot trickled behind the Chelmsford goalie and a tumbling Bowker knocked it over the line.

Chelmsford took the lead again late in the first on a power play goal, but Wilmington bounced right back in the next minute with Drew Gallucci tying the game at two. After a scoreless second period, the Wildcats earned the win in the third period with Nate Packer tipping a shot by Gallucci in the high slot, Liam Prigmore also earning an assist on the play.

Now with the lead, Wilmington kept up the pressure and limited Chelmsford's chances. Max Churchill made some of his best saves in the late going to secure the 3-2 win and trip to the elimination round.

While the Wildcats were

sweeping their preliminary round, the "other" Wildcats from Weymouth were also going undefeated in their divisional games. Wilmington earned the first seed for the playoff bracket by virtue of fewest goals allowed. Triton and Holy Name completed the playoff qualifiers, with four seed Holy Name the next opponent for Wilmington.

Sunday morning in the semi-final, the Wildcats pounced with Joseph Hansen scoring in the opening minute on an assist from Connor Hill. Less than a minute later, Hansen got the assist on Drew Gallucci's goal and Wilmington was up two in under two minutes. Later in the first period, Joseph Cornish scored on a rebound of Anthony Bowker's shot and the 'Cats were off and running again.

The second period saw Bowker and Cornish connect twice more, first Bowker with the goal, and later Cornish with a second goal from a Bowker assist. In between, Joseph Hartzell knocked in a hard fought goal, digging for the rebound of Cody Mercuri's shot. Carrying a 6-0 lead,

Wilmington again was able to shorten the shifts and save some energy for the afternoon final.

Weymouth also won big in their semi-final match against Triton, and the two teams of Wildcats looked to be a close contest. The championship final was a well played, penalty free game. Wilmington continued its relentless puck control game and dominated the offensive zone.

Joseph Cornish struck for a goal halfway through the first period, with line mates Bowker and Fox both getting assists. The 1-0 lead held through the second period, until Joseph Hansen scored with assist from Drew Gallucci with 33 seconds remaining in the middle frame.

Up 2-0, Wilmington secured the game with an offensive outburst in the third minute. With just a few ticks more than nine minutes remaining, Hansen scored his second with an assist from Gallucci and Prigmore.

Just 20 seconds later, Hansen returned the favor by assisting on a Gallucci goal. And only 58 seconds after his second goal,

Hansen got the hat trick, with another assist, for Gallucci, and also an assist for Connor Hill.

The Weymouth Wildcats seemed thoroughly stunned by the turn of events and never mounted a serious attack as the Wilmington Wildcats went on to amass 37 shots on net while allowing only ten shots to get as far as goalie Max Churchill.

The final tally for the weekend was five games, five wins; 23 goals for against two goals allowed. Only defensemen Harry Serounian and Zach Smith were kept off the scoresheet, but both blue liners obviously did their part in keeping the puck out of Wilmington's net.

The Wildcats played their best when it counted most and earned the medals and recognition from the Massachusetts Hockey organization as the best in their division across the entire state.

The team was coached by Ray Mercuri with assistants David Smith and Mark Mercuri.

Wilmington Girls 10U Hockey team also crowned as the best in the state

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WEST SPRINGFIELD - After just one period of their first game at the Girls 10U Tier III State Championships last Friday night at the Olympia Ice Center, the Wilmington U10 Girls Hockey team found themselves in unfamiliar territory. The Wildcats, who had been regularly dominating opponents throughout their regular season schedule, found themselves in a 2-0 hole against a talented Charlestown team that had blitzed them with their tremendous team speed and talent right from the opening faceoff.

Down two goals just 12 minutes into the tournament, the Wildcats had two choices. They could take the easy way out and pack it in, take a few losses and make it a short

weekend, or they could regroup, play the kind of hockey they have been playing all season long, and make a run at the state title.

For the Wildcats and coach Pete Mullarky, the choice was obvious, and from the second period of the Charlestown game on, fans and opponents saw a different Wildcats team. While they were unable to get the win in that opening game, suffering a 3-2 shootout loss after battling back to tie the game, there was no stopping the Wildcats from that point on, as they won their next four games on their way winning the state championship, wrapping up the title with a 2-1 win over Duxbury on Sunday afternoon.

"That first period was a wake up call for us," Mullarky said. "It was the best thing that could have happened to us. When the

period was over, the girls were a little flustered, but we just told them that they needed to ramp up their intensity. We ended up losing the game, but we played much better and at least we got a point out of it."

That point became crucial to the Wildcats securing a spot in the semifinals after they won their next two first round games on Saturday, first rolling past Andover 6-0 on Saturday morning and then winning a nail biting 2-1 overtime thriller over Weymouth in overtime later in the day.

Against Weymouth, the score stood tied 1-1 at the end of regulation thanks in great deal to the stellar goaltending of Maddie Sainato, who was outstanding throughout the game and throughout the tournament. Sainato also kept the game even early in overtime with a brilliant

save with her right pad to thwart a Weymouth break-away attempt.

"Maddie came up huge for us, she really kept us in it," Mullarky said. "She was like that for the whole tournament. That save she made in overtime was unbelievable"

With Sainato doing her job between the pipes, the Wildcats still needed some offense, and they soon got it from defenseman Lily Mackenzie, who midway through the overtime picked up a loose puck just outside the Wilmington blue line, and rushed up ice, zipping through Weymouth defenders and then beating the goalie with a great wrist shot to clinch the 2-1 victory that sent the Wildcats to the semifinals.

"She can rush the puck like Bobby Orr used to," Mullarky said. "She has the skill and the athleticism to

do so, and then she has the speed to get back on defense if she has to. She made a great play for the goal"

Next up for the Wildcats was the semifinals on Sunday morning against an Arlington team that had outscored their opponents 18-2 in three first round games. They were prepared for the same type of dominance against Wilmington, but the Wildcats had other ideas.

"Before the game one of our parents saw the Arlington coach go to the (information) table and ask them 'when we win this game and get to the finals, are we the home or away team?'" Mullarky said. "So, we told our girls, they think they already have this won, let's go out and prove them wrong and send them home. And that is just what they did."

It wasn't easy for the Wildcats, but they made Arlington regret their overconfidence, winning another thriller, this time by a score of 3-2 in overtime, with Megan Mullarky scoring the game winner early in the extra session.

Mullarky was on the ice along with fellow forwards Antonia DiZoglio and Alexis Fox, as well as defenseman Lily Mackenzie and Alexandra Lavigne at the time of the game winner, and all five players contributed to the big game winning goal, with Mullarky scoring on a rebound off a scramble in front of the Arlington net.

"I couldn't even see it go in, I was just watching the ref, and as soon as I saw him point, and the whistle blew, it was just pandemonium," Mullarky said. "It was just unbelievable."

DiZoglio and Fox had scored the other two goals of the game for the Wildcats, but it was a total team effort for the Wilmington to pull off the upset, with forwards Samantha Crowley, Emma Ebert, Shae Gould, Julia

Lambert, Ashley Mercier, Libby Mozuch, Macy Savage and Vivien Savoie all playing well and keeping pressure in the Arlington zone, while defensemen Juliana Anguioni, Corrine Foley, Casey Kelley and Gianna Young were outstanding in limiting Arlington's offensive opportunities.

"That was an excellent Arlington team," Mullarky said. "They will all be playing U12 hockey next year, and we have some second graders on our team. This was definitely all about team for us. They all did a great job."

Even after the big upset win for the Wildcats, there was still work to be done, with a tough Duxbury team awaiting them in the finals later in the day on Sunday. By that point however, the Wildcats were not going to be denied, and they powered their way to a 2-1 victory behind goals from Megan Mullarky and Lily Mackenzie. Wilmington went out to a 2-0 second period lead and maintained that lead until Duxbury finally got on the board with 28 seconds left in the game.

The Wildcats held on, however, and were soon crowned state champions.

"It is unbelievable," Mullarky said. "I just can't believe it happened. It is amazing the amount of pride the coaches and I have in these girls. It can't even be measured. We are just so proud of all of them, and all of the effort they have put in all season long."

"I would also like to thank coach Kerry White, coach Tricia Lambert and coach Matt Savage for all their help, advice and making this an extremely fun season for me. I hope the girls will remember this for the rest of their lives because I know I will."



The Wilmington Girls U10 State Championship team includes: Laying down - Alexis Fox and Maddie Sainato; Front row: Ashley Mercier, Megan Mullarky, Gianna Young, Samatha Crowley, Shae Gould; Second row: Antonia DiZoglio, Julia Lambert and Corrine Foley; Last row: Lily MacKenzie, Juliana Anguioni, Libby Mozuch, Alexandra Lavigne, Emma Ebert, Macy Savage Vivien Savoie and Casey Kelley; Coaches - Kerry White, Peter Mullarky, Matt Savage and Tricia Lambert

Wilmington Pee Wee 3's defeat Tewksbury and Wakefield in back-to-back games

The Wilmington Wildcats Pee Wee 3 team won back to back games this weekend, first shutting out The Tewksbury Redmen for the second time this season 4-0 on Saturday night at the Chelmsford Forum, then taking down the second place Wakefield Warriors by the score of 6-2 at Kasabuski Arena in Saugus on Sunday night.

The Wildcats started off the game against arch rival Tewksbury with a strong effort. In a back and forth battle, both teams showed up to play. Griffin Carr was phenomenal in net for the Wildcats. Solid defense from Paige Fuller, Jordan Legere, Nicholas Spencer, and Aadarssh Sivakumar was a huge factor in the game. An action packed first period ended in a scoreless tie despite the great hustle from Brett Gallucci, Mike Maselli, and Srikar Mallajosyula. Just about two minutes into the second period Bobby Dodge found the back of the net with a nice wrist shot stick side up high with assist going to linemates Will LaMonica and Alex Burns. The Redmen tried to fight back but had trouble mounting any type of attack. At 7:21 of the second Burns lit the lamp for The Wildcats with a crisp shot cleanly beating the Redmen netminder. On the following face off Burns took the puck in and again beat the goalie just seven seconds later for his second goal of the game. Tewksbury made several attempts to get on the board, but were denied by Carr and the Wildcat defense. Wilmington held on to the 3-0 lead heading into the final frame.

Third period action was intense as the Redmen tried desperately to cut into Wilmington's lead, but the Wildcats stepped up their game, as Gallucci, Maselli, and Mallajosyula continued to apply pressure in the

attacking zone as well as on the back check. Fuller was massive on defense playing in her third game of the day. Spencer, Legere, and Sivakumar also played solid at both end of the rink, while Carr was a beast between the pipes. Gallucci had a great scoring opportunity on a nice rush that just chipped over the net. With 1:40 left to go in the game Dodge picked up a rebound from LaMonica and slammed it past the defeated Redmen goaltender for his second of the game. Wilmington would hold on for an impressive 4-0 win.

Sunday night's game was equally as entertaining against a tough Wakefield team. The hungry Wildcats came out of the gate on fire and just 21 seconds into the game, Mike Maselli hit Srikar Mallajosyula with a sweet tape to tape pass out front. Mallajosyula hammered the puck past the Warrior goalie. A minute and a half later, Bobby Dodge was breaking in alone and was hooked down for behind, and he was awarded a penalty shot. Dodge confidently carried the puck in from the center dot, made a quick move to the backhand and put the puck in over the pads of the sprawled out Wakefield net minder giving the Wildcats a quick 2-0 lead.

Wilmington didn't let up, as the forward line of Brett Gallucci, Maselli, and Mallajosyula applied steady pressure and continued to attack. At 8:56 Alex Burns picked up a pass from Dodge and made no mistake finding the back of the net with a nice shot. The Wildcats defense was again solid and focused. Nicholas Spencer, Will LaMonica, Aadarssh Sivakumar, Paige Fuller and Jordan Legere defended net minder Dillion Bloom who also played sensational. With 4:25 to go in the first it was Burns to Dodge this

time giving the Wildcats a commanding 4-0 lead. Lexi Engvaldsen also played great on that line.

Second period play was fast and exciting. The Warriors desperately tried to get into the game and with 5:08 left, they were able to sneak one in. Wakefield needed a lot more than that but the Wildcats were not budging. Teamwork and playing the proper positions were instrumental in Wilmington's efforts. The Cats would take the 4-1 lead to the end of the second period.

Wakefield was able to get a quick goal right off the face-off in the third, but that would be the end of the scoring for them. Bloom would turn aside any and all other attempts from the Warriors. With 7:47 remaining in the game Engvaldsen made a great pass to Burns who fed Dodge out front. Dodge jammed in his own rebound for the hat trick! With time running out in the game, Wakefield made a last ditch effort and pulled their goalie. Gallucci hit Dodge with a pass up the boards and he put in the open netter giving Wilmington a well deserved 6-2 win.

Youth Hockey Coaches to face Bruins Alumni

Wilmington Youth Hockey Association has announced a 'Coaches vs Boston Bruins Alumni' Hockey Game will be held on April 9th at the Chelmsford Forum beginning at 3:00 pm.

The cost per ticket is \$10 per person.

For tickets, contact Laurie Gallucci or Tina Chirichiello at: fundraising@wilmingtonyouthhockey.org.

The proceeds to this event will benefit the 'United



Wilmington resident, Felicia Zuccola, and her U14 East Coast Wizards team won the U14 Tier 1 Massachusetts State Tournament in Marlboro on Sunday, March 12. Her Wizards team went 5-0 for the weekend, scoring 18 goals and only letting up 5. They played the Spitfires, Islanders, Assabet, Bay State Breakers and Boston Junior Eagles. The next stop for the Wizards is the National Tournament in Detroit, Michigan, beginning April 6th. (courtesy photo).

TMHS Cheerleading Summer Clinic

The TMHS coaches and cheerleaders have announced it will be holding a Redmen Cheerleading Summer Clinic.

The Clinic is open to all students entering first grade through through grade!

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The cost is \$95.00 per Cheerleader, \$10.00 Sibling discount (Registration Fee is Non-Refundable).

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\$27,998

2017

Audi A4 2.0

Auto., Ibis White, 7K miles, Heated Seats, Convenience, Navigation, Wheel Package



Stock# A4142

\$38,498

2017

Audi Q7 3.0

Auto., Carrara White, 16K miles, Premium Plus



Stock# A4178

\$54,998

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ANY VEHICLE CALL: 866-385-0121

2014

Nissan Altima

Auto., Silver, 27K miles



Stock# HN032328A

\$13,998

2012

Honda Odyssey

Auto., Blue, 51K miles, LX



Stock# H040818A

\$19,698

2013

Cadillac CTS

Auto., Black, 28K, AWD, Leather



Stock# H011686A

\$19,998

2013

Volvo XC60

Auto., Silver, 31K miles, Heated Seats, Leather, Back-up Camera



Stock# H091135A

\$22,998

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LEGAL NOTICE



DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC WORKS
TEWKSBURY,
MASSACHUSETTS

INVITATION FOR BID
For
Contract No. PW-17-06
Spot Repair of Sewers
& Rehabilitation of
Manholes

Sealed Bids for Spot Repair of Sewers & Rehabilitation of Manholes; Contract No. PW-17-06, will be received by the Town of Tewksbury at the Department of Public Works office, 999 Whipple Road, Tewksbury, MA 01876, until 2:00 p.m. local time on Thursday, April 6, 2017, at that time and place Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The Work includes the spot repair of existing sewers involving partial sewer replacement on Cart Path Road, Mount

Joy Drive (2 locations), St. Mary's Road, and Willow Street. The Work also includes the rehabilitation of approximately 32 manholes consisting of the removal and disposal of debris material, resetting or replacing manhole frames and covers, rebuilding chimney riser section, chemical sealing of cracks, joints and/or pipe connections, rebuilding and/or repair of invert and bench areas, or other related work to restore manhole water-tightness. The manholes scheduled for rehabilitation are located throughout the town of Tewksbury in paved roadways.

Contract Documents will be available after 10:30 a.m. local time on Wednesday, March 22, 2017 by going to www.projectdog.com, entering Project Code 817974 in the project locator box, and following the prompts to a free downloadable bid set. Contact www.projectdog.com or call 978-499-9014 for distribution questions. No monetary deposit is required to obtain the documents. Contract

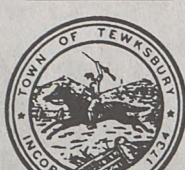
Documents may also be examined, but not obtained, at the DPW Office during the following hours: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Minimum Wage Rates as determined by the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development under the provision of Massachusetts General Law (M.G.L.) c. 149, § 26 to 27D, as amended, apply to this project. It is the responsibility of the Bidder, before bid opening, to request if necessary, any additional information on Minimum Wage Rates for those tradespeople who may be employed for the proposed work under this Contract.

The bidding and award of this Contract will be under the provisions of M.G.L. c. 30B. The Town reserves the right, in its absolute and sole discretion, to reject any or all Bids if deemed to be in its best interest.

By: Brian M. Gilbert
Superintendent of
Public Works
For: Richard A. Montuori
Town Manager
170343 3/22/17

LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF
TEWKSBURY
BOARD OF APPEALS
PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on **March 30, 2017 at 6:30 P.M.** in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by **Gerard Eyssalenne** for a variance from Section 4130, Appendix B of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to construct a 42'6" x 8'0" front Farmer's Porch. Said property is located at **24 Kevin Street**, Assessor's Map 58, Lot 37, zoned Residential. The application may be examined in the Community Development Department, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA (978-640-4370 x248), Monday thru Friday 7:30 am - 4:30 pm. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org.

Robert Dugan,
Chairman
170287 3/15,22/17

LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF
WILMINGTON
BOARD OF HEALTH
REGULATIONS

The Wilmington Board of Health of the Town of Wilmington hereby makes the following regulation to become effective on March 23, 2017:

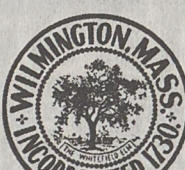
10.8 Critical Violations as defined by 105CMR 590.001B and adopted by the Board of Health are considered to be those hazardous to the public health and shall be cause for the immediate issuance of a citation with a fine for \$100.00 or other action as authorized by state or local regulations.

10.9 Failure to comply with a correction order issued by the Board of Health or it's agent shall be cause for the issuance of a citation for \$100.00 or other action as authorized by state or local regulations for each violation, each day constituting a separate offense.

10.9A In addition to and without limitation of any enforcement actions that may be taken or rights or remedies that the Board of Health or Town may have under any applicable laws, codes, regulations, bylaws, any repeat or subsequent violations and/or critical code violations that occur within 1 year of any previous violations or offense shall be subject to payment of civil fines and penalties of \$200.00 per violation. Each calendar day on which a violation occurs constitutes a separate violation.

The entire code of regulations is available at the office of the Board of Health, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA and on the web at www.wilmingtonma.gov.
170345 3/22/17

LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF
WILMINGTON
BOARD OF APPEALS

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road on Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. on the following applications:

Case 9-17
Global Montello Group
c/o M. Newhouse
Map 71 Parcel 3,4,5

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §3.5.5 General Service Restaurant, for property located on 102-104 West Street.

Case 10-17
Global Montello Group
c/o M. Newhouse
Map 71 Parcel 3,4,5

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §3.5.4 Limited Service Restaurant, for property located on 102-104 West Street.

Case 11-17
Global Montello Group
c/o M. Newhouse
Map 71 Parcel 3,4,5

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §3.5.4 Auto Service/Car Wash, for property located on 102-104 West Street.

Case 12-17
Michael Welch
Map 35 Parcel 15

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 (to demolish and reconstruct a single family dwelling meeting all setback requirements, except the side yard along a right of way) for property located on 15 South Street.

Case 13-17
Michael Welch
Map 84 Parcel 49B

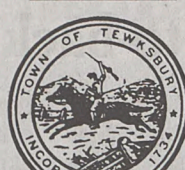
To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 (to demolish and reconstruct a single family dwelling 44 feet from the front yard on Bernstein Road and 30 feet from the front yard on Pomfret Road) for property located on 2 Bernstein Road.

Case 14-17
Michael & Sharon
Capasso
Map 44 Parcel 85

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.6.7.7 Ground Water Protection District for property located on 20 Baker Street.

170299 3/15,22/17

LEGAL NOTICE



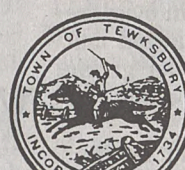
TOWN OF
TEWKSBURY
BOARD OF APPEALS
PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on **March 30, 2017 at 6:30 P.M.** in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by **Michael Butler** for a Special Permit from Section 3651 of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to construct a second floor addition onto the existing dwelling as shown on plans filed with this Board. Said property is located at **5 Hazelwood Avenue**, Assessor's Map 58, Lot 82, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined in the Community Development Department, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA (978-640-4370 x248), Monday thru Friday 7:30 am - 4:30 pm. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org.

Robert Dugan,
Chairman
170325 3/15,22/17

LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF
TEWKSBURY
PLANNING BOARD
PUBLIC HEARING

SPECIAL PERMIT
FAMILY SUITE

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **April 10, 2017 at 7:20 P.M.** in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by **Daniel and Anna Gaudette** for a Family Suite Special Permit under Section 3400 of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to construct a family suite not to exceed 1,000 square feet as shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at **441 Whipple Road**, Assessor's Map 20, Lot 2, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined in the Community Development Department, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA (978-640-4370 x248), Monday thru Friday 7:30 am-4:30 pm. Legal Notice is also published on www.masspublicnotices.org.

Stephen Johnson,
Chair
170334 3/22,29/17

LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF
WILMINGTON
PLANNING BOARD
NOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on April 4, 2017 at 8:00 p.m. in Room 9 of the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA for a Stormwater Management Permit #17-03, plan entitled, "Chemgenes", dated March 2, 2017, and Site Plan Review #17-02, plan entitled, "Proposed Site Plan-Building Addition, Chemgenes, 33 Industrial Way, Wilmington, MA", dated March 2, 2017 submitted March 10, 2017, prepared by Jeffrey A. Brem, Professional Engineer, Meisner Brem Corporation, 142 Littleton Road, Suite 16, Westford, MA 01886. Said property is located at 33 Industrial Way, Wilmington, MA 01887 and shown on Assessor's Map R3 Parcels 8 & 10. The proposed project is to construct 27 Over 55 dwelling units in a mix of single unit and duplex structures.

A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department and may be inspected during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

Michael Sorrentino,
Chair
Wilmington
Planning Board
170296 3/15,22/17

NU introduces McCauley into 2017 incoming class

After unveiling six talented newcomers on Feb. 28, the Northeastern women's soccer program and head coach Ashley Phillips announced the addition of Kayla McCauley on Monday to round out the 2017 incoming class.

McCauley joins Megan Adams, Chelsea Domond, Mikenna McManus, Katarina Nilsson, Julianne Ross and Sophia Thompson in the 2017 recruiting class.

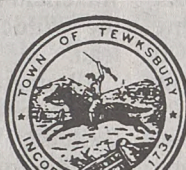
"We couldn't be more excited to welcome these seven young women to the Northeastern family," Phillips explained. "We are extremely happy with the caliber of this class as players, but more importantly as people; they are all highly-motivated, hard-working and dedicated young women who have very bright futures ahead of them at Northeastern."

A native of Wilmington, Massachusetts, Kayla McCauley joins Northeastern from Wilmington High School and the Aztec Soccer program. A four-year letterwinner at Wilmington, McCauley helped the team to Middlesex League championships from 2013-16, including undefeated regular seasons from 2014-16 and an appearance in the state finals in 2013.

McCauley was named a Middlesex League All-Star in 2014-16, and earned Lowell Sun All-Star accolades (2015-16), Eastern Mass First-Team All-Star laurels (2016) and All-State distinction (2016).

"Kayla is one of the hardest working players I know," said Phillips. "She is intrinsically motivated and will do whatever it takes to win. She will be a great addition to both our program and the University, and I am excited for her future as a Husky."

LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF
TEWKSBURY
CONSERVATION
COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING

Request for
Determination of
Applicability

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on **April 5th, 2017, at 7:00 P.M.** in the Tewksbury Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by **Kyle Boyd** for a Request for Determination of Applicability for the installation of park benches, a sign, and a kiosk within the buffer zone of a resource area and the riverfront area. Said property is located at **2000 Whipple Road**, Assessor's Map 68 Lot 16. Legal Notice is also available on www.masspublicnotices.org.

Stefania Gallo
Conservation Agent/
Town Planner
170344 3/22/17

LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF
WILMINGTON
PLANNING BOARD
NOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARING

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A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department and may be inspected during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

Michael Sorrentino,
Chair
Wilmington
Planning Board
170302 3/15,22/17

LEGAL NOTICE



TEWKSBURY
HISTORICAL
COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING

The Tewksbury Historical Commission has received an application to demolish the premises in Tewksbury at:

624 Clark Road

The Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 3, 2017, at 6:30 PM in the Meeting Room of the Tewksbury Public Library, 300 Chandler Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876, to determine whether the building is a "preferably preserved" building within the meaning of Tewksbury's "Demolition of Historic Buildings" By-Law, and to take other action as provided by that By-Law.

For further information, contact William Wyatt, 18 Magna Vista Circle, Tewksbury, (978) 640-0658, or via email at Williamwyatt18@comcast.net.
170342 3/22/17

LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF
TEWKSBURY
PLANNING BOARD
PUBLIC HEARING

SIGN SPECIAL PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **April 10, 2017 at 7:10 P.M.** in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by **Metro Sign & Awning** for a Sign Special Permit for the installation of new signs as shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at **515 Woburn Street**, Assessor's Map 3, Lot 3, zoned Heavy Industrial.

The application may be examined in the Community Development Department, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA (978-640-4370 x248), Monday thru Friday 7:30 am-4:30 pm. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org.

Stephen Johnson,
Chair
170335 3/22,29/17

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LEGAL NOTICE



COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS

THE TRIAL COURT
MIDDLESEX
PROBATE AND
FAMILY COURT
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800

CITATION ON
PETITION FOR
FORMAL
ADJUDICATION

Docket No.
MH171259EA

Estate of:
Edward Rufus Lord, Jr.
Also known as:
Edward R. Lord, Jr.
Date of Death:
11/16/2016

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment

of Personal Representative has been filed by **Rachel E. Lepore of Wilmington MA** and **Sarah J. Simonton of Fremont NH** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Rachel E. Lepore of Wilmington MA** and **Sarah J. Simonton of Fremont NH** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 04/07/2017.**

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to

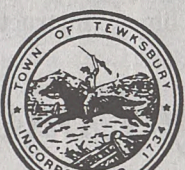
this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

**UNSUPERVISED
ADMINISTRATION
UNDER THE
MASSACHUSETTS
UNIFORM PROBATE
CODE (MUPC)**

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Edward F. Donnelly, Jr., First Justice of this Court.
Date: March 10, 2017
Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate
170324 3/22/17

LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF
TEWKSBURY
BOARD OF APPEALS
PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on **March 30, 2017 at 6:30 P.M.** in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by **Karen Ferreira** for a variance from Section 4130, Appendix B of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw for an existing deck and to construct a 14' x 7.5' addition. Said property is located at **1416 Whipple Road**, Assessor's Map 42, Lot 32, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined in the Community Development Department, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA (978-640-4370 x248), Monday thru Friday 7:30 am - 4:30 pm. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org.

Robert Dugan,
Chairman
170300 3/15,22/17

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to Sylvestre Kazadi of 971/2 Railroad St. in Lawrence MA who is the last registered owner of a 2004 Scion Vin # **JTKDE177350008718** that this vehicle will be sold at auction on or about April 14, 2017 at A & S Towing, Inc., 222 Andover Street, Wilmington MA. The vehicle will be auctioned to recover towing and storage charges that are past due.
170340 3/22,29, 4/5/17

Entered: March 7, 2017

By the Court, (Krupp, J.)
Robert E. MacIntyre,
Deputy Assistant Clerk
170304 3/22,29, 4/5/17

Title and you object to an Order declaring that ARC is the rightful holder of title to the Area of Undetermined Title, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in the Civil Clerk's Office, Middlesex Superior Court, 200 Trade Center, Woburn, MA 01801, and shall serve a copy of your written appearance and answer on ARC's counsel, Russell Z. Goldberg, Falbo, Solari & Goldberg, P.C., 5 Essex Green Drive, Peabody, MA 01960, on or before April 28, 2017. Failure to file an appearance and answer may forever bar you from claiming that an Order declaring ARC as the rightful titleholder to the Area of Undetermined Title is invalid under Massachusetts Law.

Entered: March 7, 2017

By the Court, (Krupp, J.)
Robert E. MacIntyre,
Deputy Assistant Clerk
170304 3/22,29, 4/5/17

LEGAL NOTICE



COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS

MIDDLESEX, SS.

SUPERIOR COURT NO.
MICV2016-3666

TO: Those persons, if any, whose names, not in being, unknown, within or without the Commonwealth, or who cannot be served with process, their heirs or legal representatives or such persons as shall become their heirs, devisees or appointees:

Asset Redevelopment Corp. ("ARC") claims to be the holder of title to a small portion of Lot C as shown on the Plan recorded with the Middlesex North Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 228,

Plan 139 and referenced as "Area of Undetermined Title 1,200 S.F." (The "Area of Undetermined Title") and located at the corner of Second Street and Rhode Island Road, also known as 11 Rhode Island Road, in Wilmington, Massachusetts. ARC has filed with the Middlesex Superior Court a complaint entitled Asset Redevelopment Corp. v. Those Persons, If Any, Unascertained, Not in Being, Unknown, Within or Without the Commonwealth Or Who Cannot Be Served With Process, Their Heirs or Legal Representatives Or Such Persons As Shall Become Their Heirs, Devisees Or Appointees, Case No. 1681CV03666, filed pursuant to G.L. c. 240, Sections 6-10, as amended, to establish title to the Area of Undetermined Title and/or to remove any cloud on said title.

If you are a person claiming interest in the Area of Undetermined

the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

That certain parcel of land situated in Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts and being identified as Lots 222, 223, & 224 and the northerly Part of Lots 233, (previously referred to as Lot 233 by inadvertence and mistake), 234, 235 & 236 as shown on a plan of land known as Federal Gardens, Wilmington, Mass., dated: October, 1917; prepared by: M.A. Milhouse, C.E. Said plan is recorded with the Middlesex North Registry of Deeds at Plan Book 35 as Plan 4 to which reference is made for a more particular description. Said parcel is further identified as PARCEL on a plan of land entitled: Subdivision Plan of Land in Wilmington, MA; Prepared for Charlotte Fitch; Scale 1" = 40'; Dated May 28, 1997; Prepared by: Troy, Medeiros & Associates East Street, Tewksbury, Mass. Said plan of land is recorded with the Middlesex North Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 194 and Plan No. 135 to which reference is made for a more particular description. Said Parcel A contains 10,000 Square feet according to said plan. Being the same premises con-

veyed to the herein named mortgagor (s) by deed recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds herewith.

The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, building and zoning laws, liens, attorney's fees and costs pursuant to M.G.L.Ch.183A, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession.

TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue

the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. **TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE**

March Madness is in full swing on the Tewksbury Basketball Courts

TGBL Game Summaries
March Madness Round 1
Senior Division
Suns 41, Sonics 36

The last time the Suns and Sonics faced each other, the Suns came away with a victory with only a four-point margin.

The Suns entered this game knowing that they had a determined Sonics team to play. The two teams traded baskets and leads until the Suns came away with a narrow victory with a few minutes left in the game.

Julia Cafferty led the way for the Sonics with 12 points quickly giving the Suns the buffer they needed in the second quarter.

Additional scoring was provided by Gianna Ragucci (9), Emma Demos (8), Megan Boudreau and Alexa Harrington (4), with Sydney Crowley and Michelle Hinkle each adding a basket. Erin Covel assisted Sydney Crowley with her basket with a perfectly timed pass from the top of the key.

Sarah Hunt was asked to split her time between down low and the wing and excelled in both positions contributing with quick passes and solid rebounds.

Trailing each quarter by a margin, the Sonics kept up the pressure on defense and had great offensive opportunities that they capitalized on at every chance. Amanda Moreira had one of her best games while not feeling tip top today. She went hard to the net, drawing fouls that sent her to the line. Marycate Callinan and Mikaela Enax were also frequent visitors at the free throw line as a result of their hard play.

Callinan and Sara Boucher combined collected 11 blocks and ripped down 13 rebounds. Abby Hansbury was superb hustling on defense and jetting coast to coast ending with a beautiful layup boosting our third quarter charge. Emily Walker and Klara Holden were everywhere on the court, chasing loose balls and keeping the Suns shots to a minimum. Rachel Scaringi played her tiger like defense once again, handing in fourblocks and three rebounds.

Lexi Polimeno was unstoppable as she suffocated and frustrated the Suns on both ends with five steals, multiple blocks and tenacious defense. Our offense today was led by Lexi pouring as she poured in 15 points, followed by Marycate Callinan with her season high of ten points. Abby Hansbury netted six points and rounding out our scoring attack was Amanda Moreira (3) and Emily Walker (2).

Intermediate Division
Waves 33, Badgers 14

The Waves jumped out to a 10-0 lead in the first quarter with scoring from Katrina MacDonald (4), Jess Hickey (2), Brooke Haley (2) and Kiley McFadden (2). In the second quarter the Waves scored eight points from Maisan Nguyen (4), hitting a 3-pointer was Cassidy MacDonald (3), adding (1) while hitting a free throw was Ashley Demers.

The Waves started the second half with Maisan Nguyen, Rebecca Langone, Jess Hickey, Brooke Haley and Kyla McGilvery looking to protect the lead. The Waves saw baskets from Maisan (4) Jess (2) and Kyla McGilvery (2).

Finishing the fourth quarter scoring for the Waves were Maisan adding (4) for total of (12), and Kiley with (3). Missing from the Waves were Elizabeth Pacheco and Sophia Dolliver.

Semi-Finals
Senior Division
Blazers 31, Suns 28

Julia-Cafferty led the way offensively for the Suns scoring 14 points with a clutch three-pointer within one minute left of the game. Emma Demos contributed four points with a basket in each of the quarters she played. Alexa Harrington added three points while playing with intensity.

Megan Boudreau, Michelle Hinkle, and Gianna Ragucci each added two points each spread across the quarters. Sydney Crowley finished off the season with a strong defensive outing. Sarah Hunt maintained a strong showing down low grabbing clutch rebounds. Erin Covel secured the lane preventing some easy layups.

Intermediate Division
Eagles 42, Wolverines 15

The Eagles scoring was Sam Ryan 12 (game high), Brooklynn DeGrecie eight, Maddy Montejó and Kiley Kennedy six each, Darielle Wilson four, Maeve Cahill and Sam Perkins with two each, Madison Stovesand and Kayla Mirisola with one each.

Terriers 23, Waves 20

The Terriers took on the quick waves in a semi-final game of March Madness. Guard pair Alex Fillmore (2 pts) and Vicki Lavargna (7 pts) put the Terriers on the board in the first quarter. Forwards Gianna Ciampa and Kylie Galvin helped break the press with their mid-court help. Riley Veits caused turnovers on the press.

In the second quarter, Erica Hinkle showed some basketball smarts with good in-bounds passes. Kendall VonKahle deflected passes meant for the Waves' centers. Darya Mehrabani played great defense in the key.

Victoria Catanzano (8 pts) and Rachel Picher (6 pts) helped to stretch the lead in the second quarter. In the second half, Catanzano and Lavargna added four more baskets to put the Terriers into the finals.

Junior Division
Storm 22, Rockers 15

Trailing 10-5 at halftime, the Storm started to battle back with strong defense and timely scoring by Alyssa Adams and Kimsan Nguyen including a buzzer beater basket by Alyssa Adams to tie the score at 11-11.

The final quarter saw the Storm put up 11 points led by Rebecca Boudreau six points and Dakota Malizia five points to pull away with a 22-15 victory and a spot in the finals.

Rebecca Boudreau led the Storm in scoring with 8 points. Dakota Malizia (7 points), Alyssa Adams (4 points), Kimsan Nguyen (2 points) and Maddie Burke (1 point) also contributed to the scoring. Rebecca Harris, Mackenzie Bourque, Charlotte Morris, Mikayla Stovesand, Lucy Malfy, and Abigail Watkins contributed with strong team defensive play that helped holding the Rockers to 15 points.

Championships
Intermediate Division
Eagles 28, Terriers 27

Down by eight at the half, the Eagles came soaring back to tie the game in the third quarter. The fourth quarter was a nail bitter for everyone, with eight different lead changes. Maeve Cahill was as clutch as it gets from the free throw line going 4-for-4 down the stretch.

The only point scored in overtime, came from a free throw from the Eagle's Kiley Kennedy. The defensive effort of Madison Stovesand, Kayla Mirisola, Sam Perkins, and Darielle Wilson was a big part of their victory.

The Eagles scoring came from Sam Ryan game high of ten, Maeve eight, Madison Stovesand five, Maddy Montejó three, Brooklynn DeGrecie and Kiley with one each.

The runner-up Terriers had a fantastic final game, jumping ahead in the first quarter behind the gutsy offensive drives from Alex Fillmore (8 pts) and a 3-point basket from Vicki Lavargna (3 pts). Kylie Galvin and Riley Veits (1 pt) were fierce on the press, and Gianna Ciampa (2 pts) limited the Eagle scoring from the key.

The Terriers held on in the second quarter, with Rachel Picher (6 pts) and Darya Mehrabani (2 pts) landing their shots. Kendall VonKahle was excellent at help defense on Eagle drives. Victoria Catanzano (5pts) and Erica Hinkle were relentless during the full-court press.

In the third quarter, Ciampa put back a rebound to score, Fillmore glided in for a layup and Veits hit a foul shot. During the nail-biting fourth quarter, Catanzano scored two baskets on break-away layups and sunk a free throw. Picher scored another basket and landed two free throws.

Junior Division
Storm 16, Liberty 11

Thid game was back-and-forth until the Storm pulled away in the fourth with Dakota Malizia scoring all the points in the fourth quarter to defeat the Liberty 16-11 to win the Junior League Championship.

Dakota Malizia led the Storm in scoring with ten points. Alyssa Adams (4 points) and Kimsan Nguyen (2 points) also contributed to the scoring. Rebecca Harris, Maddie Burke, Mackenzie Bourque, Charlotte Morris, Rebecca Boudreau, Mikayla Stovesand, Lucy Malfy and Abigail Watkins contributed with strong team defensive play and rebounding that helped holding the Liberty to eleven points.

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"He went in with a lot of confidence and he did a great job. To finish in third place and to place at that tournament for the third time is amazing," Cowen said. "He set goals early on this season and he met those goals."

Up next for DeAngelis was a trip to the Prep Nationals for the second year in a row, with the tournament being held this year at Stabler Arena in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. After winning one match last season, DeAngelis doubled his fun this season with two victories, making some school history in the process. His two wins in one national tournament, as well as his three total national wins are both school records.

"Overall, it was a really good feeling," DeAngelis said of his two wins. "I would have liked to finish in the top sixteen, so I would have been an All-American, so I was a little disappointed with that, but overall I was happy with how I did."

For DeAngelis, the only thing better than competing in nationals himself was having his good friend Felipe Pinto with him at the meet. DeAngelis and Pinto both attended Abundant Life Christian School in Wilmington from second to eighth grade, and when it came time for high school, the duo liked the idea of attending LCA together.

It turned out to be a great decision for both of them, as Pinto wrapped up his career this season by not only finishing second at the Northern New England Prep Tournament on February 4th and 5th, but also qualifying for the National Prep Tournament and coming away with one victory.

"Felipe has been one of our most improved wrestlers and he is an outstanding



Eighth Grade Girls Basketball Team win NA Tournament

Wilmington Girls 8th Grade Blue Basketball who capped their middle school career by winning the North Andover March Madness Tournament. The team beat North Andover and North Reading before defeating Burlington in the Championship game. The team finished the season 24-8. Team members include back row (l-r): Kylie DuCharme, Katie Stone, Grace Ardito, Kiara Nadeau, Jenna Sweeney, and Kayla Smith. Front row (l-r): Allie Fischer, Molly Ardito, Hannah Watson, Maddie Guy, Amber Flynn and Alessia Puccio. The team is coached by Dan Ardito, Christine Guy and Ken Nadeau.

young man," Cowen said. "He has a lot of strong character and he is an incredibly hard worker. Year after year, he just keeps getting better. This season he just decided to be the best he could be, and that is exactly what he did."

Pinto most certainly was the best he could be, at times surprising even himself with his success.

"I was really happy with the season because I love wrestling, and I worked so hard to have a great sea-

son," Pinto said. "I learned some new moves, and I even wrestled at heavyweight at times."

Pinto was never better than in the Northern New England Tournament, where he dominated his first two opponents to win by pin, before finally losing in the finals to Brad Basham of Buckingham, Browne & Nichols. Earlier in the season, Pinto had also finished second in LCA's league tournament for the second consecutive season.

Pinto did not qualify for nationals after injuring his shoulder at the NEISWA Tournament, but he managed to get in as an alternate when another wrestler had to bow out, and he made the most of his opportunity. After losing his first match of the tournament, he bounced back to win a thriller in his second match, pinning Ethan Wright of Roanoke Catholic just as time was about to expire in the match.

For Pinto, who went 30-5 on

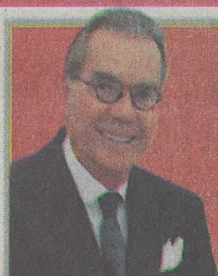
the season, just being at nationals was a great experience in itself, but picking up a win at the same time obviously made it even more special.

"At first I was not sure I was even going to nationals, so in my head I was just happy to be there," Pinto said. "I wasn't sure if I would be able to win a match, especially after I lost my first one, but in my second match, I was much more confident and I was able to get the win. I was

just shocked."

Pinto also shocked Cowen, who has seen plenty of fantastic finishes throughout his coaching career, but nothing that quite compared to this one.

"That was one of the most exciting matches I have ever seen," Cowen said. "With about four seconds to go, he pulled off a lateral drop throw and got the pin. He just did an incredible job. It was an amazing finish."



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